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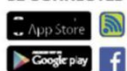
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I'm a grandpa living together with a bunch of grandkids. Funnily enough, they always have their faces glued to their mobile devices even though we may be "spending time together". Trust me, I'm no old fogey, I too love my gadgets and tech toys. But it's sometimes really hard to keep up with the kids

on what's trending on the Internet. Good thing I discovered the Site-seeing column of 8 DAYS. It has been my weekly cheat sheet for becoming the coolest grandpa ever. I mean, nobody would think of Googling "smashing food", but I did just as you suggested and it was strangely mesmerising. The kids had fun crowding around me looking at this weird but amazing website together. That scored me one more point for being a cool grandpa!

— From Grandpa Edwin

Ed: You'll score more points for winning this popcorn voucher for the kids.

Duke it out

Last week's insider story on the 8 Dukes ('Who's the Top Duke?') was illuminating! Never did I dream that Romeo Tan would one day be considered #1 on the list. I've always found him to be bland and forgettable. And I also never thought that Desmond Tan would fall so far down the list. He has the most star quality of the lot, with Xu Bin being the next one in line with his charisma and handsome face. *Jia you*, Desmond!

— Bee bee

Forever hungry

I always look forward to your Eat section in every issue. I loved the feature on Ramen Keisuke Lobster King a few weeks ago. I passed my mum last week's



issue and she read the story on Timbre+, the stylo-mylo 'hawker centre'. She immediately said, "Let's go there this Saturday!" The photos of scrumptious-looking dishes in your mag never fail to make my mouth water.

— Random Singaporean foodie

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at The Atrium
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**1 May, Sun
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7 K-Beauty Trends Will Keep You Ahead Of The Curve

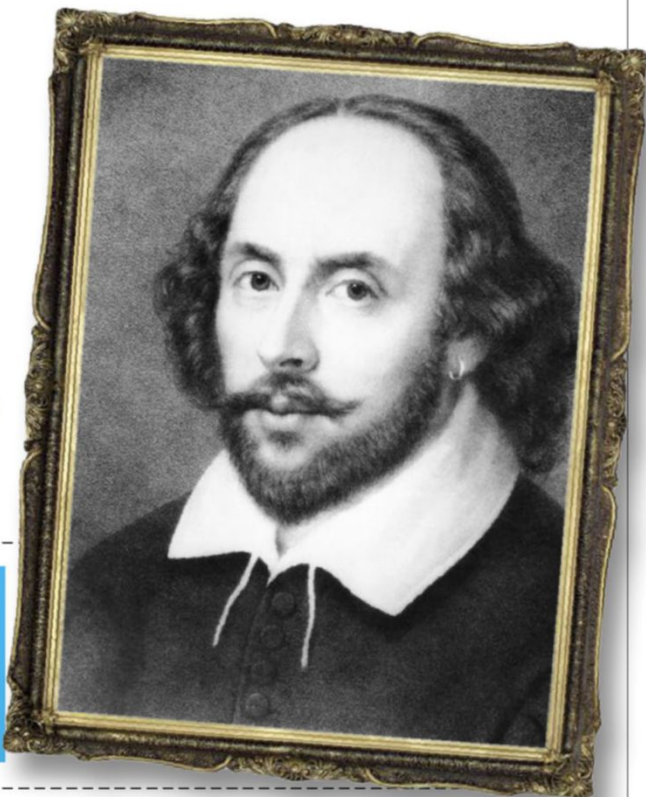
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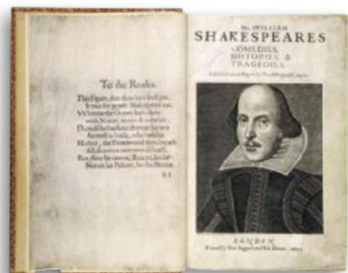
US\$600 MILLION (S\$817 MIL)

How much William Shakespeare is worth today, according to a 2012 study. It added that if the Shakespeare's works were commercially-owned (they are in public domain), he would be worth more than US\$1 billion. Experts believe the bulk of the earnings would come from the publishing royalties of his 37 plays, which have been turned into more than 400 films and TV productions. This Saturday (Apr 23) marks the Bard's 400th death anniversary.



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NO. OF COPIES OF SHAKESPEARE'S BOOKS SOLD, MAKING HIM THE BEST-SELLING AUTHOR OF ALL TIME.



2,191

No. of times 'love' appears in his complete works.

1,700

No. of words Shakespeare invented, about 10 per cent of his 20,000-word vocabulary.

The words he coined include 'swagger', 'jaded', 'fashionable' and 'torture'. Unreal, right? By the way, he came up with 'unreal' as well.

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No. of copies of First Folios, a compilation of Shakespeare's plays published a few years after his death. Of those, 234 are known to have survived, including one recently found in a Gothic mansion on Scotland's Isle of Bute. Without this compilation, the world would not have known about *Julius Caesar*, *Twelfth Night*, *The Taming of the Shrew* and 15 other plays.

1 No. of eco disasters (indirectly) caused by Shakespeare. In 1890, pharmaceutical maker and Bard-devotee Eugene Schieffelin imported 60 European starlings from England and released them in New York's Central Park, as a way of introducing the bird to his fellow Americans. (The starling is referenced in *Henry IV, Part 1*.) These starlings, known to be highly adaptable and invasive, drove some native birds to the brink of extinction. There are said to be 200 million starlings in North America now.



US\$147,554,999 How much Baz Luhrmann's *Romeo + Juliet* made worldwide. The 1996 movie, starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Dane as the tragic lovers, is also the highest-grossing Shakespeare film adaptation. 📽️





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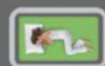
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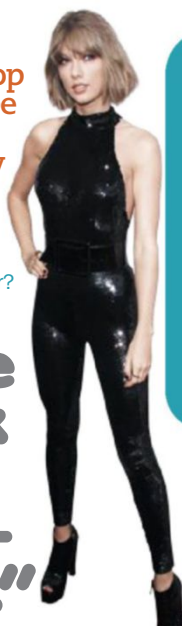


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"Taylor Swift is a sort of Mrs [Margaret] Thatcher of pop music in that she seems to be about economics but, you know what, at least somebody is interested in that."

— Should Taylor Swift (right) be flattered or offended that Pet Shop Boys' **Neil Tennant** has compared her to the former British Prime Minister?



"I want to thank my wife — everything I do is to make her laugh, especially the sex. Thank you."

— **Ryan Reynolds** dedicates his Best Comedic Performance win — for *Deadpool* — at the recent MTV Movie Awards to wife Blake Lively.



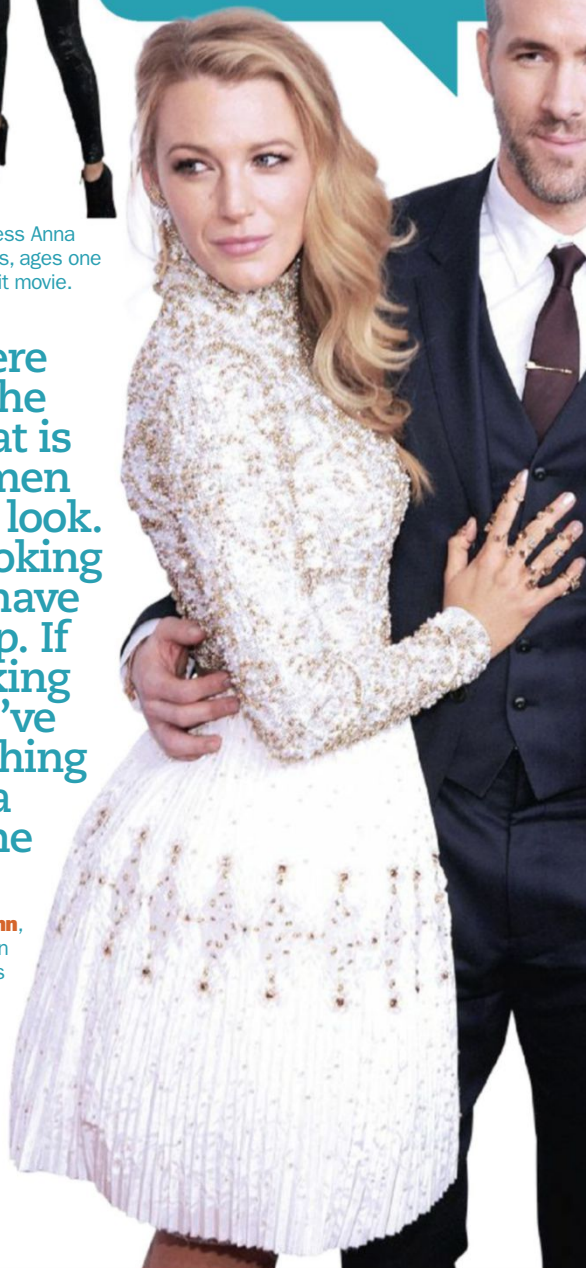
"They live to break down my self-esteem."

— **Kristen Bell**, the voice of Princess Anna in *Frozen*, is sad that her daughters, ages one and three, aren't fans of the hit movie.



"That's where it's unfair: the judgment that is put on women for how we look. If you're looking bad, you have to cover up. If you're looking good, you've done something or made a deal with the devil."

— *The Newsroom*'s **Olivia Munn**, soon to be seen as Psylocke in *X-Men: Apocalypse*, on rumours that she's had plastic surgery, calling the assumption an unfair double standard that plagues women. **B**





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Ken Jeong, 46

The Korean-American doctor-turned-comedian says his kids aren't ready to see him in *The Hangover* but they can watch daddy in the more wholesome sitcom, *Dr Ken*.



Laughter is the best cure: Ken Jeong with his TV family on *Dr Ken*. Even though Ken is acting full-time, he hasn't totally quit medicine: He still renews his doctor's licence, and his co-stars go to him for medical advice. "All the time!" he said in another interview. "[On] every single production I have been on."

8 DAYS: Who suggested doing a sitcom about your former career as a doctor?

KEN JEONG: I wanted to do a show based loosely on my life as a doctor and as a married father of two, and that's where the similarity ends. I want to have a character that's a little different from reality because I wanted to have some freedom to go places where I didn't in real life. I wanted to have that artistic freedom.

So are you just as protective as a father in real life?

On the show, I always overreact as I have good intentions, and that always leads to problems. In real life, it's almost the same [except] I am more self-aware. That's my saving grace in reality. That helps me as a person, and helps me when I'm communicating with my wife and children. However, I definitely have my moments at times.

How different is the fictional Dr Ken from the real Dr Ken?

It's different in the sense that as a doctor in real life, I am a lot more intense and respectful towards my patients. I am not as immature and brash with them. I was very serious as a doctor and many people were very surprised that I did stand-up comedy on the side. I don't think it would be a lot of fun if I was always serious and boring on a sitcom.

You're known for playing supporting roles on *Community* (right) and in *The Hangover* movies. How does it feel to be playing the lead for a change?




There's definitely a lot more responsibilities in the creative aspect as I am also the writer and executive producer of the show. It's really been the most creatively gratifying year of my career as I get to wear many more hats on this show than on any other projects that I have been on. It's been amazing. *The Hangover* changed my career overnight, it changed my life from black-and-white to Technicolour. *Community* made me a better actor. Applying those two aspects of my career to *Dr Ken* has really helped me greatly.

***Dr Ken* is about a physician who balances his career with family life. Given that you're busier now, how do you balance your work with your family life?**

It's all because of my wife. She has been so supportive, knowing that I am busier than I ever was. She's come down to every taping of *Dr Ken* and she will bring the kids over. We will still be able to go on holidays, travel to Disneyland and have fun. It's really because my wife has allowed me to have the balances here.



Your eight-year-old twin daughters went to the taping of *Dr Ken*. Have they seen you as Leslie Chow in *The Hangover* (above)?

I would let them watch *The Hangover Parts II and III* but not the first one... hah, I am kidding (laughs). *Dr Ken* is very family-friendly. I ended up creating it as something that my entire family can enjoy. Every week, we get together and watch it. It happens organically though, it's not mandated. It's not like I make them watch it and they don't get food if they don't. But I do think that it evolved into something I can show my kids. I also showed them some episodes of *Community* and they loved it so much. Well, *The Hangover* is for another time (guffaws). 

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Grilled Lamb Rack

ANTIPODEAN DELIGHTS

Café Manuka (#02-15A) whets one's appetite with a menu showcasing antipodean food elements. Pikelet Stack is served with strawberries, blueberries and a dollop of fresh cream, and goes well with an aromatic cup of Allpress coffee from New Zealand that's available here. On the menu, too, are crowd favourites such as Corn Fritters and Bacon Pumpkin Salad. Customers will also enjoy either Egg Pikelet or Pikelet Rosti Breakfast Combo (exclusive to this IMM outlet) as well as new offerings including Tom Yam Prawn Pasta. No pork, lard or alcohol is used in the cooking.



Pikelet Stack

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Egg tarts in varied flavours



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Rogue One: A Star Wars

STARRING FELICITY JONES, DIEGO LUNA, DONNIE YEN, FOREST WHITAKER **DIRECTED BY** GARETH EDWARDS

WHY WATCH: It's *The Dirty Dozen* meets *Megastructures: The Death Star Edition*!

THE LOWDOWN: The film — set between the events of *Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith* and *Episode IV: A New Hope* — is

about a ragtag group of Rebel Alliance spies (led by *The Theory of Everything*'s Felicity Jones) tasked with stealing the plans to the Empire's ultimate weapon, the Death Star.

THE BUZZ: In *Star Wars* film

lore, the story of how the Rebel Alliance acquire the Death Star blueprints is shrouded in mystery, only briefly mentioned in the opening scroll text in 1977's *A New Hope*. And, now, nearly 40 years after that movie's release,

Ip Man in space: **DONNIE YEN** is about to teach these stormtroopers the meaning of pain. Rumours suggest that Hongkong action icon is playing a blind pugilist. Yen isn't the only Asian in *Rogue One*; Chinese actor/director Jiang Wen is also part of the crack team assembled by the Rebel Alliance.

A rebel with a cause: **FELICITY JONES** plays Jyn Erso, a delinquent recruited (coerced?) by the rebels to infiltrate the Empire. The Net is buzzing with rumours that Jyn is the mother of *The Force Awakens* heroine Rey (Daisy Ridley).

This is what we want for Christmas: Geeks, rejoice! It looks like the fan-favourite AT-AT (All Terrain Armoured Transport) walkers — first introduced in 1980's *The Empire Strikes Back* — will be back in full force.

Story

we'll finally find out exactly how the Rebels pulled off the mission. Director Gareth Edwards (*Godzilla*) calls *Rogue One*, the first of three spin-offs (another one, about the early days of Han Solo, is due in 2018), a heist flick without

"clear-cut villains and heroes". It's going to be dark and gloomy as well. "It's about the fact that God's not coming to save us, and we're on our own," says the helmer. "The absence of the Jedi is omnipresent in the film — it

hangs over the whole movie." The Jedi may be missing but fans are speculating that, given the film's timeline, a certain black armour-wearing, asthmatic Jedi-turned-Sith Lord may appear in a cameo.

OPENS: DEC 15



Insider Info

It's that time of the year again when our stars battle tooth and nail at the Star Awards. We get four industry insiders to give us their brutally frank (and surprisingly harsh) predictions for this year's major categories. And of course, it was all done anonymously.

BEST ACTOR

CHEN HANWEI *118*

CHRISTOPHER LEE *Crescendo*

ROMEO TAN *The Dream Makers 2*

QI YUWU *The Dream Makers 2*

SHAUN CHEN *The Journey: Our Homeland*

MEDIACORP SENIOR EXEC: "There's not much excitement seeing Romeo and Yuwu acting like themselves in their dramas, and no one will take a sitcom like *118* seriously enough to give Hanwei another Best Actor award. That leaves **CHRISTOPHER LEE** unbeatable."

POPULAR CH 8 VETERAN ACTOR: "*Crescendo* had a good and refreshing storyline and Christopher Lee acted very well, I think he should win. However, given that the company may want to elevate **ROMEO TAN**'s status, he may take home the award instead even though he has the least experience. This is just how the game is played."

MEDIACORP VP: "**QI YUWU**. His role is very likeable, and it has depth. I think his chances of winning are very high."

STAR AWARD-WINNING CH 8 ACTOR: "**CHEN HANWEI**. It's not easy acting as an effeminate man on TV and still be well-liked by the audience. It's all about the acting technique. He did not go over-the-top, I think he did a good job."

8 DAYS PICK

CHRISTOPHER LEE's performance as the disgraced CEO of a record label in *Crescendo* was dramatic, touching and most importantly, memorable. We wouldn't be surprised if Chris wins his second Best Actor Star Award in three years.



JEANETTE AW



BEST ACTRESS

YA HUI 118

JEANETTE AW *The Dream Makers 2*

RUI EN *The Dream Makers 2*

ZOE TAY *The Dream Makers 2*

REBECCA LIM *Sealed With A Kiss*

MEDIACORP SENIOR EXEC: “Do you think the time has come for Jeanette Aw to bag the top prize? Fat hope. She was nominated in similar roles in the past and didn’t win. As for the rest, Rui En is irritating, Ya Hui is bland and Rebecca is uninspiring. **ZOE TAY** will wipe the competition clean.”

POPULAR CH 8 VETERAN ACTOR: “I think the winner will be **JEANETTE AW** ’cos *The Dream Makers 2* is a big production and she has not won Best Actress before. Her role is also not the typical

ZOE TAY



likeable role that she usually plays, so I think she stands a good chance.”

MEDIACORP VP: “**JEANETTE AW**. Her role is the most difficult to play of the lot. She had to act crazy and she managed to pull it off. Her acting has also improved a lot over the years.”

STAR AWARD-WINNING CH 8 ACTOR: “**ZOE TAY**. She had to play a good person and actors will tell you that that’s not easy. Her performance was very consistent throughout the drama and she managed her facial expressions very well.”

8 DAYS
PICK

Like Leonardo DiCaprio, **JEANETTE**

AW went to hell and back to play the depressed, suicidal Zhao Fei’er. And like Leo, she’ll probably (hopefully?) pick up her first Best Actress award.

ANDIE CHEN



BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

CHEN TIANWEN 118

EDWIN GOH *The Dream Makers 2*

ZHANG ZHENHUAN *The Dream Makers 2*

ANDIE CHEN *The Journey: Our Homeland*

IAN FANG *Tiger Mum*

MEDIACORP SENIOR EXEC: “Andie was better in the previous instalment of *The Journey*, while Mr Unbelievable Chen Tianwen is nominated only for entertainment value. Edwin’s a joke and Zhenhuan’s acting is flat except for a dramatic crying scene. Bad boy **IAN FANG**’s transformation into a bullied and timid victim is a clear winner.”

ZHANG
ZHENHUAN



SCENE & HEARD

POPULAR CH 8 VETERAN ACTOR: “There’s a high chance that **IAN FANG** will win, especially since he isn’t nominated for the Top 10 Most Popular Male Artist award. He acted as a nerd, which is a breakthrough for him. To be honest, his acting is still not very natural but the company will probably give him the award since he broke out of his comfort zone and tried something different.”



IAN FANG (right)

MEDIACORP VP: “It’s a close fight between **ZHANG ZHENHUAN** and Ian Fang, but I think Zhenhuan deserves to win as he has been acting for so many years already and he has improved a lot. He should get an award as a form of encouragement.”

STAR AWARD-WINNING CH 8 ACTOR: “**ANDIE CHEN**. He knows his scenes well. In the drama, he had to

play someone who aged over the years, and it can be difficult to portray that. However, he did it very naturally.”

8 DAYS PICK

Who would have thought **IAN FANG** could play a geeky goody-two-shoes so well? It was refreshing to see this side of the bad boy and that will probably seal the deal for him.



JULIE TAN



CARRIE WONG

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

CARRIE WONG *118*

SHEILA SIM *118*

PAIGE CHUA *Good Luck*

JULIE TAN *The Dream Makers 2*

BONNIE LOO *Tiger Mum*

MEDIACORP SENIOR EXEC: “Those who acted in *118* are not serious contenders. Bonnie is still a kid and she can wait. Paige has never been on the radar. This is **JULIE TAN**’s year, and she’ll take home the trophy for playing a feisty bad girl.”

POPULAR CH 8 VETERAN ACTOR: “**JULIE TAN** stands a good chance as she had a very meaty role in *The Dream Makers 2*. However, the sequel to *118* is in the making, so the award may go to **CARRIE WONG** instead as her win will be good publicity for the show.”

MEDIACORP VP: “It’s a role specially written for **JULIE TAN** to win. She played it so convincingly and made the viewers hate her so much. What’s more, her competition is rather weak. If she doesn’t win, it will be very weird.”

STAR AWARD-WINNING CH 8 ACTOR: “**JULIE TAN**. Julie studied drama in school, and she has the acting chops. I think she captured the essence of her character very well.”

8 DAYS PICK

It’s a no-brainer. **JULIE TAN**’s fist-thumping portrayal of a scheming scriptwriter taking revenge on her older sister stands out from the competition and makes her the clear and deserving winner.

BEST DRAMA

118

CRESCENDO

THE DREAM MAKERS 2

THE JOURNEY:

OUR HOMELAND

TIGER MUM

MEDIACORP SENIOR EXEC:

“Even without a big budget and marquee stars, the unassuming **Tiger Mum** wins hands down for its realistic script and great acting.”

POPULAR CH 8 VETERAN

ACTOR: “*The Dream Makers*

2. It’s Mediacorp’s biggest blockbuster of the year, and the company spent so much money and effort producing and promoting the drama. It’s only natural that it wins.”

MEDIACORP VP: “It’s a toss-up between *Tiger Mum* and *The Dream Makers 2*, but the latter has all the elements of a big blockbuster. It’s a big-scale production, it has a strong script, and there are so many high-profile artistes. It’s a deserving winner.”

STAR AWARD-WINNING CH 8 ACTOR: “118.

It’s our very first longform drama in a long time. Even though it aired at 7.30pm, many people would rush home to catch it every day. It had a very realistic script, and it was also very entertaining.”



While the first *Dream Makers* was a refreshing look at showbiz, its sequel bordered on the fantastical. *Deus ex machina* by way of bamboo pole? Um, just no. And for that reason, the heartfelt **Tiger Mum**, about a stern prisons officer who becomes a surrogate mum to four teens, will win. **B**

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🔗 **It's a tie:** You know how sometimes when you're at your doorstep and you urgently need to go to the loo but you end up fumbling with your laces, and it becomes the most agonising 10 seconds of your life? Now, imagine you're **KENDALL JENNER**.



Lace value: Looks like the stars were feeling lace-y that night. **GIGI HADID** (left) teased with her lacy black bra while **CHARLIZE THERON** walked the red carpet in a breezy outfit she should have worn when she was in town recently.



☞ **Peace out:** Is it just us, or is **CHRIS PRATT**, who's filming *Guardians of the Galaxy 2* now, looking more like *Parks and Recreation*-Chris than *Jurassic World*-Chris?



Tighty-whities: I see London, I see France, I see **ALEXANDER SKARSGÅRD**'s underpants. "I was going to go shirtless, but then someone told me Zac Efron did that two years ago here," the actor said. Ball's in your court, Zac.



Isn't this Sia's thing? Those rumours of singer **MIKE POSNER** having a big head? It's all true.



Way to kiss ass, dude: So *Teen Wolf* **TYLER POSEY** wants his MTV. We, on the other hand, want his super comfy red onesie.

☞ **This is just baddie:** Who is **BADDIE WINKLE**? She's an 87-year-old Internet personality who's known for her out-there street style. And by 'out-there' we mean, boy aren't we glad our grandma doesn't dress like that.



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SCENE & HEARD

Last hurrah:

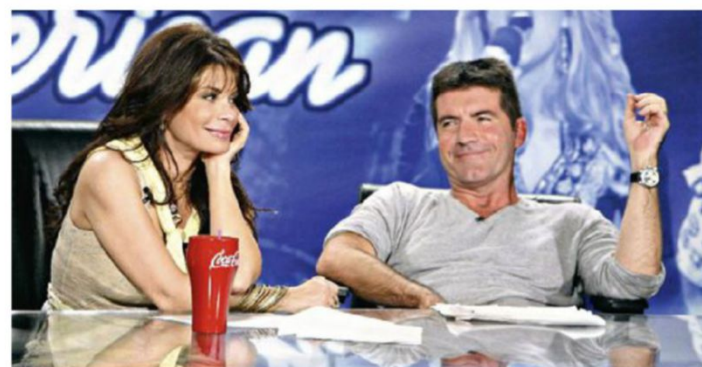
AI's final season judges (from left) Keith Urban, Jennifer Lopez, Harry Connick Jr., alongside host Ryan Seacrest.

Idol no more

After 14 years and 15 seasons, *American Idol* has finally hung up its mike. We #throwback to some of the show's most memorable moments.



Lee DeWyze. Scotty McCreery. Phillip Phillips. Candice Glover. Caleb Johnson. Nick Fradiani. If these names don't ring a bell... you're not alone. The aforementioned people are all recent *American Idol* winners. Yes, the reality singing competition, which rewrote pop culture (being mean is in!) and spawned a gazillion spin-offs (nice knowing you, *Singapore Idol!*), lost its magic somewhere between Taylor Hicks and Kris Allen. And while the finale was an ode to the glory days of *Idol* — it featured performances from past *Idol* luminaries like Carrie Underwood, Jennifer Hudson, Kelly Clarkson, Chris Daughtry and Fantasia — we weren't all that surprised when boyish vanilla crooner Trent Harmon (extreme right) was named the last *American Idol* over hot favourite La'Porsha Renae (right). Still, host Ryan Seacrest did tease in the closing credits that it's goodbye "for now". So before (if ever) an *Idol* reboot comes along, here're our favourite moments from the series.



1 Paula Abdul and Simon Cowell's bickering

Let's be honest, week after week, we tuned in for the on-stage performances as much as we did to watch former judges Paula and Simon bicker like, in their own words, "an old, married couple". In fact, their verbal sparring could make for more entertaining TV than the actual singing. The pair kept us intrigued and second-guessing about whether they truly had a bone to pick with each other or if they were, in fact, in love.

2 Simon Cowell's mean zingers He was the original Judge Dread of reality TV whose brutally blunt barbs became their own sideshow. It even spawned a legion of wannabes eager to skewer their reality show victims. Some of our favourite zingers he's dished out so far include comparing the singing to "a cat in a blender" and "Dolly Parton on helium".



3 William Hung's 'She Bangs' Who can forget the hilariously oblivious Chinese guy who delivered a gloriously off-key performance of Ricky Martin's 'She Bangs' back in 2004? He may have been labelled a national embarrassment but he also won over fans with his

can-do candour. William, who returned to perform at the recent finale, was mentioned in 67 per cent of all *Idol*-related digital content engagement on that day. In comparison, only 5 per cent mentioned La'Porsha or Trent (the actual winner and runner-up, remember?). Goes to show that even after a decade, we're still Hung up on him.

4 Carrie Underwood's everything The sweet country girl first piqued our interest with her ability to, um, cluck like a chicken at her Season 3 audition. Of course, she eventually did more than just that. The 2005 winner has gone on to bag seven Grammys and countless No.1 hits. She also introduced Singaporeans to mainstream country music waaaay before Taylor Swift.



5 Seacrest forever! While the *Idol* judging panel has seen multiple changes (remember Ellen? Mariah?), Ryan Seacrest has been its sole constant. Every week, he was the snazzily-dressed, calm and collected core of the crazy show, even when he and Simon teased each other about

their sexuality (*Hmm*, 'Seacrest, out!'). So, if there's anyone we'll truly miss from *Idol*, it's Ryan. And it seems like he feels the same way about us too. Post-show, he tweeted: "I didn't want to say goodbye last night. Thank you for 15 amazing seasons #IdolFinale." Can someone pass us the tissues?

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HARD *truths*

The stars of the upcoming Ch 8 crime procedural, *The Truth Seekers*, have learnt the hard way that the truth can really hurt. Especially when you are ridiculously naive.

➔ **Scammed!** **CHEN HANWEI** fell victim to con artists at the carpark of Paragon shopping mall some years ago. "A couple wanted to give me two bottles of wine from their carboot, which was filled to the brim with many other bottles," says the actor, who initially declined the offer. "Then they said that if I felt bad, I could take the bottles and give them \$200 as a token. I don't know what came over me but I did exactly that and gave them the cash." A couple of minutes later, Hanwei figured he'd been scammed and took the bottles to a wine shop in the mall for verification. "I found out that the bottles cost only \$5 each. I was so angry with myself!"

➔ **Two-timed!** "I found out that my ex-girlfriend was cheating on me," says **IAN FANG**, about a relationship that ended four years ago. "She refused to admit it so I did a screen grab of all her Whatsapp messages with that guy and confronted her." The actor says he found out about the affair through friends. "I was upset and angry, but I felt better after I found out the truth." So did he forgive her? "Of course not! She begged me to, but it's impossible. We no longer talk."

Betrayed! **REBECCA LIM**

learnt that a friend was spreading work-related rumours about her behind her back. She says: "I'm usually not a confrontational person, but I treasured our friendship so I confronted him. But he denied it and told me it was a misunderstanding. We're no longer friends."

➔ **Seriously?!** **DESMOND TAN**

declares that he doesn't tell lies: "I don't sugarcoat my words, and I've made a girl cry because of that."

Desmond once told a date that her smokey eyeshadow didn't look good on her and asked her not to use it anymore. "She was so angry and upset that she cried and didn't talk to me for the entire day," he says.



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Rui-ly... we don't

Do you know who **RUI EN** is? Does anybody anymore?

“Do you know who I am?” That was apparently the first thing Rui En uttered when confronted by an angry man whose (rather new) parked bike she had crashed into with her black BMW at around 4pm. Now, if the man had been a *Dream Makers* fan and/or if the answer had been a resounding “Oh wow, you’re the police inspector from *C.L.I.F!*”, the conversation might have taken a completely different turn. Then there would have been no news headlines, no Internet memes, no exposé of the address of the country’s most private actress who hitherto wouldn’t even tell the press which part of the island she lives in.

Most people seem to assume there is only one way to ask someone “Do you know who I am?” You know, the Reese Witherspoon way. In 2013, the Oscar winner drunkenly shouted, “Do you know my name?” at police officers when they arrested her husband for a DUI.

That’s not true, of course. It could simply have been a genuine question from someone genuinely well-known to establish some rapport for a potentially bruising negotiation.

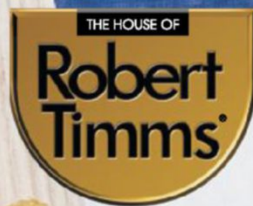
Rui En’s explanation, sent in a statement to the media (see next page), tells us she had not meant to pull the high-handed Reese celebrity card. What she had meant to do was assure the indignant man that she was a neighbour, a long-time member of the Clementi kampung who wasn’t in danger of fleeing the community: “Do you know who I am — I live upstairs and won’t run away.”

But truly, even if she had meant to say, “Do you know who I am — I am too well-known a person to shirk from my responsibilities here, so you can calm down”, would it really have been so bad?



A ccording to Chinese daily Lianhe Wanbao, a 52-year-old driver named Bahrom Sarmiten was walking to his two-month-old bike at the carpark of Block 331, Clementi Ave 2 around 4.10pm when he heard a loud bang. He then saw that his bike had been hit by a BMW, which he noted was out of control and had been driven onto a kerb. He gave chase after he saw that the BMW had started moving away. “I thought that the car would stop. I didn’t want the





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Rui En's press statement:

I refer to the recent media reports regarding my involvement in the incident that took place on 12 Apr 2016.

There are various interpretations as to the conversation that took place between the motorcycle owner and myself. To address the context of that conversation, I would like to share what I can without causing any interference to the ongoing investigation.

Tuesday, 12 Apr 2016. I was about to reach home. Upon driving into the open-air car park where I usually park, I misjudged a turn and accidentally knocked over a stationary motorcycle parked directly in front of a kerb. No other driver was involved during the incident.

I was very disappointed with myself for knocking down the motorcycle. My initial intention was to move my car to a traffic-free spot before addressing the matter.

I was subsequently stopped by a man. He continuously knocked on my car window while I was attempting to move my car. I later discovered that the man was the owner of the motorcycle.

I tried to signal to him to allow me to move my car first but he persistently hit my screen and gradually, his knocks got louder.

I got out of my car. I attempted to explain that I would take full responsibility. He probably had the impression that I looked like someone that would run away from the scene.

In my state of anxiety, I told him "Do you know who I am, I live upstairs and won't run" He appeared to be very angry. I was unsure what I said came out sounding entirely different from what I meant. I was simply trying to convey that I live here, people would know and recognise me if I ran away. On hindsight, my choice of words used were inappropriate and I agree that it caused unnecessary misunderstandings.

What was said next was a process similar to most traffic incidents.

I offered to compensate for the damages.

I offered him monetary compensation in the form of cash. He was not satisfied with the amount offered and asked for more.

By this time the police has been called in.

I would like to reiterate that it was a judgmental error on my part, there is absolutely no excuse on my careless driving and more importantly, I truly regretted it.

I will also like to take this opportunity to apologise to him for the inconveniences and distress caused.

Looking back I wished I handled the situation with more tact.

I sincerely apologise for the unnecessary inconveniences caused and I thank everyone again for your care and concern.

Yours sincerely,

Rui En

driver to run away, so I quickly rushed to stop it. I also knocked on the window and told her not to move," he was quoted as saying. The bike owner then said that the female driver tried to shield her face before donning a pair of shades. According to him, the first thing she said was: "Do you know who I am?" He didn't. He only realised that she was Rui En after a bystander told him she was "a local actress".

According to the bike owner, Rui En had wanted to settle things privately by offering him \$2,000 in cash but he refused. He revealed that he would have said yes "if she had offered \$6,000, and had sounded humble and apologetic". "She emphasised: 'I'm giving you \$2,000 and it's not enough? It's cash, you know?' he said. By then his sister, who was also present, had called the police.

This incident is however not the first time she's been involved in an accident. According to several dailies, including Lianhe Zaobao, she had reportedly knocked her previous car, a white BMW, into a vehicle along Lornie Road this January. The owner of the vehicle tracked her down using social media by posting her car license plate number online, after which she reached out to the owner and made a private settlement. Her manager denies that it was a hit-and-run, and that the star herself didn't realise her car had been dinged until her mechanic pointed it out to her.

While we hesitate to label the fiercely private star arrogant or irresponsible, we're quite certain about one unfortunate conclusion we've come to: Rui En perpetuates the stereotype of women as bad drivers. Darn.

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⬆️ War Dogs

The Hangover director Todd Phillips' latest is a black comedy based on a true story. Jonah Hill and Miles Teller play arms dealers making a killing from selling weapons to American allies in Afghanistan. The poster is a send-up of the iconic Scarface artwork. (Both movies are about the pursuit of the American Dream by any means necessary.) Cute, but we aren't sure about the pink hues. ★★★★★

OPENS: AUG 18



⬆️ The Witch

This acclaimed period scare-fest — set in 1630 New England — has an equally eerie poster. There's just something unsettling about seeing a naked woman wandering alone in the woods.

★★★★★

OPENS: APR 28



⬆️ Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows

Leo, Donny, Mikey and Raphie look mighty badass watching over their city, all ready to take names, kick butts and order pizza, not necessarily in that order. ★★★★★

OPENS: JUN 2

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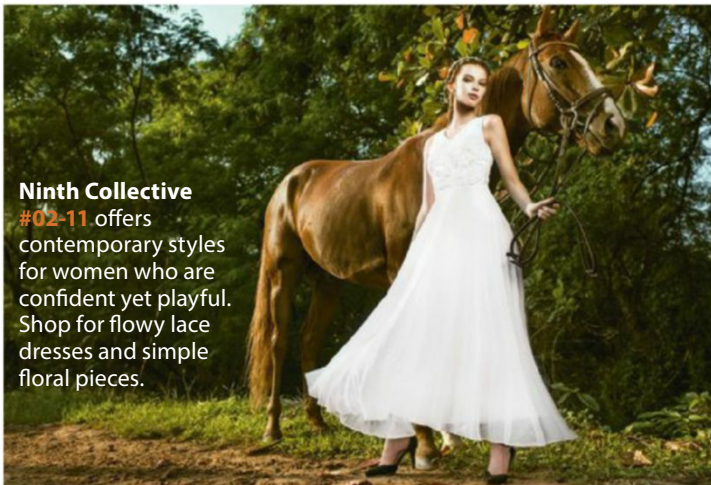
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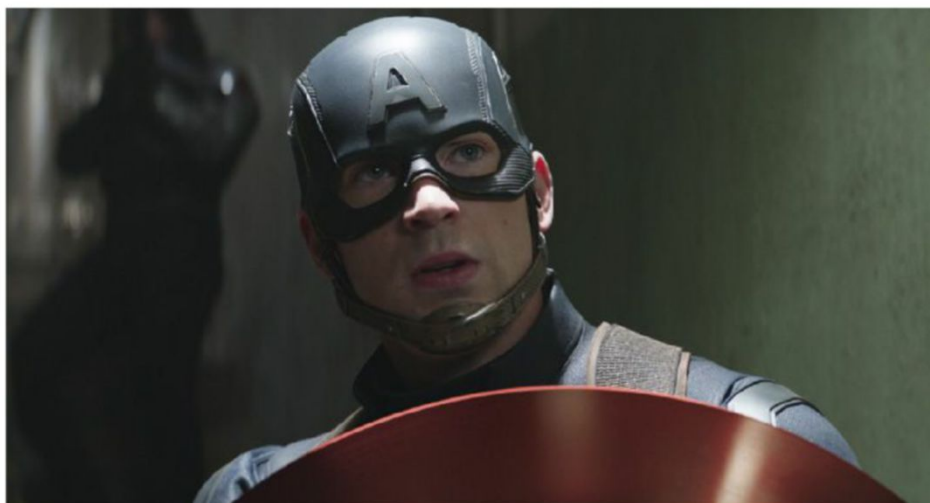
THE MARVEL CINEMATIC UNIVERSE IS ON THE VERGE OF TEARING ITSELF APART IN THE BLOCKBUSTER SUPERHERO SMACKDOWN, *CAPTAIN AMERICA: CIVIL WAR*. CO-STARS CHRIS EVANS AND ROBERT DOWNEY JR AND THEIR DIRECTORS JOE AND ANTHONY RUSSO WARN THAT THINGS WILL NEVER BE THE SAME AGAIN.

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“This is like a drunken fight at a wedding,” says director Anthony Russo.

“They dredge up all those horrible things that have existed for years, and suddenly somebody throws a punch.”

Except most nuptial knockdowns don’t involve enough firepower to reduce entire cities to rubble.

Captain America: Civil War features almost all the main Marvel Comics characters with newcomers like Black Panther, Ant-Man and the freshly rebooted Spider-Man more than making up for the sizeable holes left by Hulk and Thor. Not merely a sequel to 2014’s Marvel Studio blockbuster *Captain America: The Winter Soldier*, this bonanza, which some fans are dubbing “*Avengers 2.5*,” will also prepare the ground for the two-part *Avengers: Infinity War* due 2018 and ’19 respectively.

No pressure, then, for the returning *Winter Soldier* directors, Joe and Anthony Russo. “The scale is enormous,” says Joe Russo. “From a character and storytelling standpoint, it’s by far the largest movie we’ve done.”

This won’t be a faithful adaptation of the 2006-’07 comic crossover with which it shares a name but it asks the same question: Who watches the watchmen? Or, more precisely, who orders these superheroes into action after the collapse of SHIELD and the disastrous self-policing attempted by Tony Stark aka Iron Man (Robert Downey Jr) in last year’s *Avengers: Age of Ultron*? Marvel Comics’ *Civil War* revolved around a disaster caused by heroic irresponsibility as well as villainy.

There, Iron Man led the subsequent drive to register superheroes with the government, while Captain America leapt off a SHIELD helicopter to resist this assault on personal liberty. Here, Iron Man remains on the side of the authorities, but it’s the international Sokovian Accords, following the Ultron incident, that will govern the superheroes’ deployment.

“*Civil War*, to me, was one of the coolest strings of the comic books,” says Downey Jr of his decision to join the film as neither the lead character, nor Avengers team-player but, arguably, its antagonist. “They were doing a third Captain America film, and this was a way to super-charge it. At first I was like, ‘Hey, I have plenty to do — I’m not trying to see how many other people’s movies I can be involved in.’ But honestly, I have a creative fondness for Chris Evans. I was one of the voices in his ear when he was making the decision to join [the Marvel Cinematic Universe], and it afforded an opportunity to get a glimpse at some of the future star players on the Marvel team, like Chadwick Boseman as Black Panther. So I got really excited.”

The Russo brothers’ last film, *Winter Soldier*, “changed elements of the Marvel Universe,” as Joe puts it, referring to the destruction of SHIELD and the revelation of Nazi splinter-group HYDRA’s continued existence. “But the consequences of *Civil War* will have an even more significant impact,” he says. “In *Civil War*, we’re going to change the Marvel Cinematic Universe’s psychology, and it’s an extreme shift. *Winter Soldier* was a political thriller; this is a psychological thriller.”





There is definitely a weight to the drama unfolding when we arrive on the *Captain America: Civil War* set in Berlin, during the summer of 2015. Today's scenes are shot beneath the city's neo-classical Olympic Stadium. A car park that serves as a private entrance for dignitaries has been repurposed to play a government office where Steve Rogers, Falcon (Anthony Mackie) and one of Downey Jr's "future star players," Black Panther, arrive to face Emily VanCamp's returning Agent Sharon Carter and Martin Freeman's Everett Ross.

In the comics, Ross is a US government liaison and a frequent ally of Black Panther. Here, he's working for a 'Joint Counter Terrorism Centre.'

The scene is intense: Sebastian Stan's Bucky is being rolled away in shackles for "psychological examination."

with the government. Now, he's the one urging restraint and responsibility — and unlike the *Civil War* comics' Tony, the filmmakers have worked very hard to make him at least as sympathetic as Steve.

"Hopefully you'll leave wondering if Steve and Tony are both acting in selfish interests," says Downey Jr. Anthony Russo describes Stark's journey in the movie as "fascinating... Robert and Chris are incredible. The conflict between the two of them is incredibly emotional and it's beautifully played out."

Part of their animosity is down to a clash between the high ideals of Steve's "greatest generation" mentality and the selfish Baby Boomer outlook of the narcissistic Tony. But more than that, there's an element of near-sibling rivalry. Tony's father, Howard Stark, feels that Steve is one



Captain America and Falcon also seem to be in the authorities' bad books, and are led away to face person or persons unknown.

After wrapping the scene, Evans stands back to let others through the door first, a courtesy that echoes Steve Rogers himself. "It's beautiful playing a guy who just wants to be a good man," he says. "You can't help but take some of that home with you."

But somewhere along the way, the Captain and Iron Man have passed each other en route to the opposite ends of the spectrum of respect for authority. "We're counter-culture guys," says Joe Russo. "To take a character who's that symbolic and turn him counter-cultural was, to us, a devious and interesting way to approach a movie called *Captain America*."


Tony Stark, meanwhile, is haunted by guilt following that whole accidentally-created-a-monster-called-Ultron episode, and increasingly aware of the need to regulate extraordinary powers. It's a huge shift for the character, who, in his second film, refused to share his technology

of the best things he ever did. So there is a great deal of pressure growing up as Tony, hearing about Steve Rogers as the person you ought to be and you're not.

"There's a history, no doubt, from Tony's point of view," Evans says. "I think that may be something Steve forgets at times, because to carry baggage from a self-serving point of view is kind of a foreign concept to him. But it is this sibling friction — and with families that's where you have the most love but it's where you have the most struggle, too."



Rogers is driven, at least in part, by his friendship with Bucky Barnes, who resurfaced in the last *Captain America* movie as Russian assassin the Winter Soldier. "There's a conflict between Tony and Steve, but the dynamic of Bucky pours gasoline on the open flame," says Evans. "I love putting Steve in situations where he doesn't know what to do. When you have a guy who refuses to bleed on



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Friends and foes: (Clockwise) Scarlett Johansson's Black Widow, Tom Holland's Spider-Man and Elizabeth Olsen's Scarlet Witch join in the action.



people and puts himself last consistently, it can be a little dry. What makes these movies good is that they always try to give him a little bit of confusion — and in this movie there's a lot of uncertainty. That's how the stakes have been raised."

It's the Bucky element that makes this, definitively, a *Captain America* rather than an *Avengers* movie. As the Winter Soldier, he may have murdered hundreds (including, the last film hinted, Howard Stark), but he did so while brainwashed.

"He'll never just be Bucky Barnes again," says Sebastian Stan, who plays the tortured veteran. "This movie, for him, is very much the good wolf and the bad wolf coming together — or maybe *not* coming together. He's trying to find out about himself, his past, and what sort of world he's in."

Joe Russo describes him as an "incredibly complicated character. He and Steve have the emotional connection of brothers — even more so because Bucky was all Steve had growing up. Bucky was his protector, and that dynamic

shifted [when Steve became Captain America], and now it has shifted again.

"The Cap-Bucky story is a love story; he can't let go of his brother. He can reconcile Bucky's crimes, but other people have no emotional context for Bucky, and they need to point the finger. We have no idea if he's a hero or a villain. People are going to walk out arguing about that, too."



As Joe Russo puts it: "There is a lot of character interaction, a lot of character moments, and you need to dig them all out."

He and Anthony insist that figuring out everyone's motivations was more important to this on-screen conflict than the nitty-gritty of the action. "If you don't have character then it's empty spectacle and the movie starts to run out of gas pretty quickly," Anthony says. "You can only watch so many explosions and unmotivated car crashes."

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The second challenge was that they needed to be careful, and inventive, about how they drew the battle lines between Team Iron Man and Team Cap.

Unsurprisingly, Anthony Mackie's Falcon quickly sides with his fellow soldier. "Sam and Steve have become close confidants and good friends," says Mackie. But Falcon and Bucky, nicknamed "Cap's two girlfriends" on set, are not his only allies. VanCamp's Sharon Carter — who is actually Cap's girlfriend in the comics, and perhaps in the future here — is, she says, "willing to go the distance to protect him."

If we can trust the posters and the trailer, Paul Rudd's Ant-Man and Jeremy Renner's Hawkeye also side with the rebels. As does Elizabeth Olsen's Scarlet Witch, returning from *Age of Ultron*. "She's a complex person, and extremely powerful," says Joe Russo. "She doesn't really understand the depth of her power. I don't think anyone does. That can make her a frightening character, especially to the government. In this movie, we find her at the beginning under Cap's tutelage. He's showing her the ropes as an Avenger."

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Siding with Stark, we find War Machine (Don Cheadle) and *Age of Ultron*'s 'newborn' android, the Vision (Paul Bettany). He marries Scarlet Witch in the comics, but the pair are at odds here — victims of the Russos' delight in rending apart traditional pairings. Though, as, Anthony emphasises: "We worked hard to figure out very specific reasons why these characters would get pushed to one side or the other."

Black Panther also appears inclined to control the superhero threat, and, despite her close allegiance to Steve in *The Winter Soldier*, so is Scarlett Johansson's Black Widow. "Our new challenge is that this universe is bigger than the Avengers," explains Johansson. "There's a school of thought that it needs oversight and management, some kind of ground rules. That seems logical — though Cap and I have had a bad experience with 'The Man,' so to speak." The sticking point for Black Widow is Bucky: "Barnes is a total wildcard. He can't really be trusted because he's been psychologically compromised. He still poses a threat."

The final key combatant here is Tom Holland's Spider-Man. He comes in after the battle lines have been drawn,

and forms a relationship with one character, who, for now, the Russos won't identify. "Tom's unbelievable," says Joe. "We're very excited to present our vision of Spider-Man to the world. He was my favourite character growing up, so for a comic geek like me this is a real moment."



If it seems like the Russos, and Marvel Studio, are taking a huge risk putting all these beloved characters at one another's throats, it is a calculated one.

"The only thing I ever have trepidation about is it getting stale," says Downey Jr, who's now been in the Marvel game for over eight years. "When I hear words like 'radical' and 'risky' that's what gets me up in the morning. Past a certain point you just gotta say, 'These are the basic tenets of what we're doing,' and then it's a huge experiment."

Evans, portraying Rogers for the fifth time, agrees that the storytelling drives him forward. "It's Marvel, they give good scripts," he says. "I'd do this for free. Wait, don't print that!"



When we caught up with the Russos recently, they'd had riotously successful test screenings for *Civil War* and were putting on the finishing touches. Then, at some point in the next month, they'll start focusing on *Infinity War* in earnest: They already have a first draft of the script.

Joe Russo assures us there are substantial threads connecting the wars. "We wanted *Winter Soldier*, *Civil War* and the *Infinity War* films to have a strong through-line," he says. "We look at this movie as setting the stage for *Infinity War*, how it starts and what condition everybody's in."

That hints at significant fall-out from this battle, and Anthony Russo promises a "very dramatic ending that will be very controversial for a lot of people" — which suggests at least one character's death, potentially, and certainly a sudden interest in solo projects for the artists formerly known as the Avengers. What could ever get them back together?

Our money is on either a really lucrative reunion tour, or a megalomaniac from outer space with purple skin. Let's see which turns up first. ■

Captain America: Civil War opens next Thursday, April 28, and will be reviewed in the week's issue.

GOLD COAST

— REVISITED —



Have you ever brought your mum skydiving? Us neither. Which is why you probably don't want to bring her (or your dad) along when you decide to revisit Gold Coast, Queensland.

I know: Guilt trip. Trust me though, it'll be completely worth it.

Some things about Gold Coast haven't changed since your last visit as a kid: The city still boasts 300 days of sunshine a year; the pristine white beaches from the sun-drenched memories of your youth are still intact, as is the 100,000 hectares of lush hinterland for those who love getting off the beaten path. Surfers still ride the crest of Pacific waves.

High On Adventure



Skydiving is a healthy activity: We bet that screaming at the top of your lungs burns a lot of calories.

Life is all about new perspectives, and there's nothing like the perspective from 150,000 feet up in the air. Feel the wind against your face as you jump from the open doors of a plane, the adrenaline spike of freefalling 160 miles per hour, the surprising calmness of descent as the parachute opens, and you drift towards the white sands of Kirra Beach.

For a lower altitude – but equally thrilling – option, get on The Canyon Flyer on Tamborine Mountain, in the Gold Coast Hinterland.

Just an hour's drive from the Gold Coast, Tamborine Mountain is home to Australia's largest guided zipline tour. There's no better way to experience it than from 60 metres high, as the canopy whizzes past you at 70 kilometres per hour.

Cross the canyon on multiple ziplines, or explore over 100 other challenges spread across 6 courses. If you're the devil-may-care sort of traveller, you could even take a series of flying foxes over waiting crocodiles.

You'll probably have scattered memories of your holidays to Gold Coast as a kid: The taste of vanilla ice cream as you strolled down the Cavill Mall boardwalk; the first time you saw a dolphin, breaking the surface of the water at Sea World; the delicious anticipation in the pit of your stomach as you ascended The Dreamworld Tower on The Giant Drop.

They're all great memories, but we know you're not looking for old-fashioned family fun these days. Thankfully, there's a whole lot more going on in Gold Coast these days than theme parks and malls. Here are some shenanigans you may not have been aware of.

Not Your Parents' Beach Party



Everyone's a beach person; some people just haven't found the right beach to fall in love with yet. And don't worry, you're here with your mates: No one's going to slather sunscreen on your back without your permission.

Head south to Burleigh Heads - or Burleigh to the locals - for one of the best swimming, bodyboarding and surfing beaches in Gold Coast. Home to a burgeoning café culture, the ocean front dining at Burleigh boasts seafood so fresh, you'll swear it jumped from the surf onto your plate.

Nature lovers should take an amble with their partners through Burleigh Head National Park, a lush 27 hectare park that's home to white-bellied sea eagles and ironbark trees.

If mainstream is more of your thing, Broadbeach is a vibrant stretch of white sand, full of cafes, side-street delis and great restaurants. Get your caffeine fix at popular haunts like Elk Espresso, or visit Social Eating House and nosh on spiced soft-shelled crab and boneless lamb.



Cultural Street Cred



Australia's youngest city is home to a diverse creative community that's quirky, cool and laid back.

Whether you're making friends with indie designers at The Village Market, listening to slam poetry at Dust Temple, or eating your way through the burgeoning food truck scene at the Miami Marketta, you're bound to find an artistic subculture that'll get your creative juices flowing.

If you're travelling in May, be sure to check out Blues on Broadbeach: Australia's largest free music festival is a four-day, four-night showcase of both international acts and Australian talent.

Explore Fraser Island



If you're looking for an outdoor adventure with friends or your partner, check out Fraser Island, where the beach is your highway.

The world's largest sand island is the perfect destination for a four-wheel drive road trip, home to over 100 freshwater lakes, striking sand cliffs, ancient rainforests, and some of the best beach fishing in the world.

Platypus Bay - off the northwest coast of Fraser Island - is a prime whale watching spot from August to October, when the humpback whales make their southbound journey towards the Antarctic.

3 Activities to Sate Your Instagram Addiction



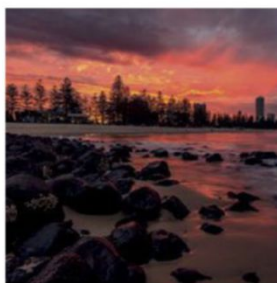
1. Explore The Night Quarter Market

The regular performances by firewalkers, jugglers and local bands make this a perfect place to get dramatic shots of Gold Coast's vibrant nightlife.



2. Visit A Life Saving Club

The closest you'll get to meeting the cast of *Baywatch*. Take selfies with the coastal guards, and don't forget to feed your IG account with photos of the fresh seafood.



3. Capture Scenic Golden Hour Photos

Your best bet for a beautiful sunrise would be at Burleigh Head National Park. If you're a late riser, take a Skypoint Climb and conquer the city's highest summit at dusk.

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Midnight Special

(PG: some violence)

STARRING Michael Shannon, Joel Edgerton, Kirsten Dunst, Jaeden Lieberher **DIRECTED BY** Jeff Nichols



Boy wonder: Michael Shannon (right) reckons with Jaeden Lieberher's supernatural powers.

Alton Meyer (Jaeden Lieberher) is an eight-year-old possessing special powers. He can speak in tongues, and shoot beams of light from his eyes to bring satellites crashing down. He is like Cyclops of the X-Men even though Superman is his favourite comic.

Midnight Special by acclaimed indie filmmaker Jeff Nichols stars Michael Shannon as Alton's father alongside Joel Edgerton as Shannon's friend, a State Trooper. Kirsten Dunst is Alton's mother.

The three turn desperate fugitives amid a nationwide manhunt, going on the run with Alton to protect Alton from both the government and a religious cult: the boy is a national security threat to the former, a messiah to the latter, and a strange enigma through much of this richly textured alien-abduction-in-reverse sci-fi chase thriller that bears the late-'70s influences of Steven Spielberg's *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* and John Carpenter's *Starman* yet is singular.

As fantastical as the premise,

it is grounded in setting and character. It is about faith, and no less an emotional family drama than Nichols' previous films *Shotgun Stories* (2007), *Take Shelter* (2011) and *Mud* (2013), all with Shannon.

And Shannon is intense as the parent who risks everything, including the heartbreak of losing a child, on an odyssey speeding from Texas motels to the Florida coast, towards Alton's mysterious appointment with destiny, whatever that might be. **RATING**

★★★★☆



Bastille Day (NC16: some nudity and violence)

STARRING Idris Elba, Richard Madden, Charlotte Le Bon **DIRECTED BY** James Watkins

↘ The French are corrupt, and the Americans shall save the day.

So *Bastille Day* will unlikely get much *amour* in France.

For everyone else, this urban action thriller set in Paris over 36 hours leading up to Bastille Day is recommended genre fare, ripped-from-the-headlines gritty and elevated by the excellent pair of British thesp Idris Elba and *Game of Thrones* star Richard Madden playing mismatched anti-heroes who feel real.

Elba is a violent, reckless CIA Agent. Going against orders, he recruits Madden's American pickpocket living in the capital to uncover a large-scale conspiracy behind a wave of planned bomb attacks: it's quite a sight, watching all 1.9m of Idris' slow-burn intensity bear down on Madden's slippery street rat.

Adding to the tense dynamics is Charlotte Le Bon's naïve activist



The French connection: Idris Elba (right) and Richard Madden save Paris from terrorism.

bomb mule, another troubled character.

British director James Watkins (*The Woman in Black*) captures the continent's rising Far Right sentiments and terrorism jitters.

The city eventually riots, and Le Bon's quick thinking and Madden's fast fingers come together with Elba's firepower for a clever finish. **RATING**

★★★★☆

This week, don't miss...

A BIGGER SPLASH (M18)

On an Italian island, a rock diva, played by Tilda Swinton, is recuperating from vocal chord surgery with her partner Matthias Schoenaert when old flame Ralph Fiennes and his nymphet daughter Dakota Johnson arrive to crash their idyll. The psychosexual drama — the Italian director is Luca Guadagnino of Swinton's 2009 art-house hit *I Am Love* — is a spellbinding sun-baked cocktail of dangerous erotic tension.

★★★★☆

EYE IN THE SKY (PG13)

Helen Mirren is a British army

commander of an Anglo-American operation launching a drone attack on a terrorist cell in Kenya, when into the kill zone wanders a little girl. This tense, timely, troubling War on Terror drama spans one stressful day across four continents in debating the ambiguities of modern warfare with Aaron Paul and the late Alan Rickman also among the top-flight cast. ★★★★★

ZOOPTOIA (PG)

In the eponymous mammal metropolis, a perky bunny officer partners a scam artist fox to

solve a missing otter case. The screwball detective noir from Walt Disney Animation Studios is a 3D delight of pacey thrills and witty gags. More than that, it is a timely parable on race relations and inclusivity, recommended viewing for humans great and small alike.

★★★★☆

10 CLOVERFIELD LANE (PG13)

A woman wakes up after a car accident locked in the basement of a stranger, who claims the world outside has become uninhabitable from a chemical attack. Should she believe him? Producer JJ Abrams'

MOVIE
review

Criminal (NC16: violence and coarse language)

STARRING Kevin Costner, Gary Oldman, Tommy Lee Jones **DIRECTED BY** Ariel Vorman

It's not quite a superhero team-up of Wonder Woman and Deadpool. Gal Gadot has only the supporting role of Ryan Reynolds' wife in the futuristic spy thriller *Criminal*, where Reynolds is a CIA operative in London himself killed off early while tracking a hacker (Michael Pitt) to stop a dangerous anarchist (Jordi Mollà).

A convict is implanted with the murdered agent's memories for completing the mission: this goateed sociopathic criminal, Jericho Stewart, played by Kevin Costner, the main character.

Euro action tosh has become a Hollywood actor's middle-age rite of passage since Liam Neeson launched his 2008 *Taken* franchise, and hence does Costner, 61, go from dances with wolves to howling mad as Jericho escapes from his neurosurgeon Tommy Lee Jones and intelligence chief Gary Oldman for a preposterous



Total recall: Kevin Costner (left) does not appreciate Gary Oldman's memory transplant experiment.

outing of violent mayhem. Jericho tears around the city, pummeling passersby, making his way to the dead agent's home whereupon the savage starts to acquire the deceased's conscience along with

feelings for the widow.

He becomes one very schizoid madman. Say this much for Costner's performance: It is ever unpredictable. **RATING** ★★★★★

MOVIE
review

The Boss (M18: sexual references and coarse language)

STARRING Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Bell, Peter Dinklage **DIRECTED BY** Ben Falcone

The Boss pays no dividends. A Melissa McCarthy vehicle, profanity and cheap genitalia gags are its order of business as it charts the redemptive comeback of brassy bumptious "47th wealthiest woman in the world" financial titan Michelle Darnell after her emergence from prison for insider trading. Kristen Bell as her assistant and Peter Dinklage as the jilted ex are feeble



support for the outsized comic personality of the *Bridesmaids* and *Spy* star, although McCarthy is here just a grating caricature playing Darnell. The actress created the character 15 years ago when she was in the Los Angeles improv troupe the Groundlings and co-scripted cum -produced with Ben Falcone, her director husband responsible also for her other, 2014 dud, *Tammy*.

RATING ★★★★★

Mr Right (M18: coarse language and violence)

MOVIE
review

STARRING Sam Rockwell, Anna Kendrick **DIRECTED BY** Paco Cabezas

Anna Kendrick is peppy twentysomething Martha starring in *Mr Right* opposite a creepy-charming Sam Rockwell as Martha's new beau, a New Orleans assassin, one with a moral code in that he kills the people ordering the kills because "murder is wrong." Martha is actually the surprise for discovering her own killer instinct while the lovebirds



flirtatiously toss knives at each other. The crazy couple zippily played by Kendrick and Rockwell are like *Mrs. & Mrs. Smith: The Dating Years*, although their bullet-riddled screwball rom-com would then have to be darker rather than this glib and cutesy confection with slapstick mobsters including Tim Roth as the hit-man's mentor.

RATING ★★☆☆☆

This week, don't miss...

"spiritual sequel" to his 2008 monster horror *Cloverfield* is a lean, deftly crafted exercise in dread and mystery confined to a single bunker. ★★☆☆☆

BASTILLE DAY (NC16)

Reviewed in these pages.

★★★★☆

MIDNIGHT SPECIAL (PG)

Reviewed in these pages.

★★★★☆

BATMAN V SUPERMAN: DAWN OF JUSTICE (PG)

This *Man of Steel* (2013) sequel cum Batman franchise reboot cum launching pad for other DC Comics superheroes is long, overcrowded, massive, messy, sooo serious — but rarely boring. By the way, Ben Affleck doesn't suck as the new Dark Knight. He

does such a bang-up job as the tortured vigilante that he steals the thunder from Henry Cavill's Superman, still dull, still brooding.

★★★★☆

HARDCORE HENRY (R21)

Russian director Ilya Naishuller's splatter-violent gonzo action pic is experienced completely from the point-of-view of a cyborg being chased across Moscow by a telekinetic albino and his mercenaries. Whether you can keep up, or even want to, depends on your disposition (how much you like the gimmick) and constitution (how much adrenaline your heart can take). ★★☆☆☆

HEAVEN IN THE DARK (M18)

Co-stars 14 years ago in the teacher-student romance *July Rhapsody*, Jacky Cheung and

Karena Lam come full circle in a sexual harassment drama where Cheung is a pastor and Lam a staff at his charity organisation who files charges after they kiss. This adaptation of the acclaimed Hong Kong play *The French Kiss* will leave you debating religion, law and morality. ★★☆☆☆

THE BODYGUARD (NC16)

The story is sentimental and familiar: a retired bodyguard from Beijing's Central Security Bureau, now settled alone in a China-Russia border town, calls on his long-forgotten skills to save a young girl from criminal types. But there is nostalgic tenderness in this character study of an ageing, ailing warhorse directed by and starring martial arts veteran Sammo Hung. ★★☆☆☆

Also showing...

CHONGQING HOT POT (PG13)

Three friends while digging to expand their failing hotpot restaurant in an old bomb shelter in the Southern China city Chongqing lead into the vault of an adjacent bank — targeted by a criminal gang. The third-act violence leaves a bad aftertaste that unfortunately spoils Mainland director Yang Qing's twisty heist thriller.

DEMOLITION (NC16)

Jake Gyllenhaal is a banker too numb for grief after his wife's death. He gets up to bizarre antics, like writing soul-baring letters to a customer service rep played by Naomi Watts. The bond that develops between the two is implausible in a dramedy on bereavement straining for serio-quirkiness.

EDDIE THE EAGLE (PG13)

This true story starring Taron Egerton as Michael "Eddie" Edwards, who overcame the odds and a lack of athletic ability to become Britain's first, only, ski jumper at the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics, is every feel-good inspirational sport fable done before. Hugh Jackman plays the drunken coach. His character, too, a cliché.

LONG LONG TIME AGO 2 (PG13)

Jack Neo seems emotionally and

Other new openings

MIRACLES FROM HEAVEN (PG)

When her daughter is struck with a rare incurable disorder, Christy Beam searches for a solution and finds a miracle. The audiences themselves are intended to find spiritual uplift in this faith-based drama based on Beam's 2015 memoir starring Jennifer Garner.



creatively depleted after putting his heart into writing-directing *Long Long Time Ago*. This sequel conclusion to his SG50 two-partner commemorating our post-independence history via the experiences of a Chinese family presents the '70s as one long tedious soap opera, the characters — noble widow Aileen Tan, ne'er-do-well brother Mark Lee et al — all remaining one-note through the decade.

THE HUNTSMAN: WINTER'S WAR (PG13)

This prequel to the 2012 *Snow White and the Huntsman* has written out Snow White for an origin epic of Chris Hemsworth's Eric the Huntsman, a story comprising multiple competing stories. Charlize Theron also returns, as evil Queen Ravenna, in a confused fantasy romance adventure fairy tale remix not helped by starry additions Emily Blunt and Jessica Chastain.

THE JUNGLE BOOK (PG)

Even with Bill Murray voicing Baloo the bear and yodelling 'The Bare Necessities,' one of two original songs retained, Walt Disney Pictures' CG/live-action reimagining of their 1967 animation classic lacks the children's fable bare necessities of fun, gaiety and charm. The man-cub hero Mowgli of Rudyard Kipling's 1890s stories is the only live actor among green-screen animal characters grim and photo-real. **B**

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TOP 10 SINGAPORE (APR 7-10 WEEKEND)

1	The Jungle Book
2	Long Long Time Ago 2
3	Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice
4	The Bodyguard
5	10 Cloverfield Lane
6	Zootopia
7	Eye in the Sky
8	Eddie the Eagle
9	The Divergent Series: Allegiant
10	Kungfu Panda 3

TOP 10 US (APR 8-10 WEEKEND)

1	The Boss
2	Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice
3	Zootopia
4	My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2
5	Hardcore Henry
6	Miracles From Heaven
7	God's Not Dead 2
8	The Divergent Series: Allegiant
9	10 Cloverfield Lane
10	Eye in the Sky



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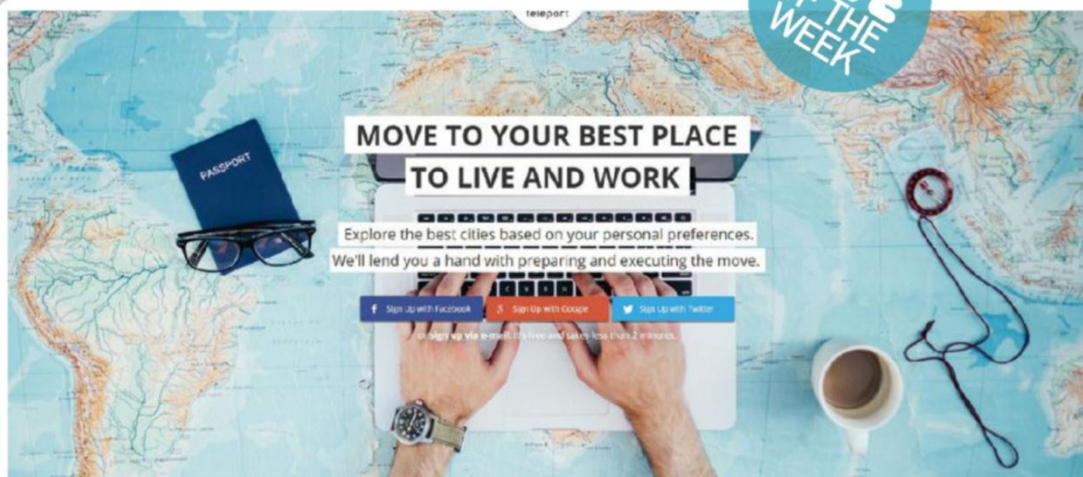
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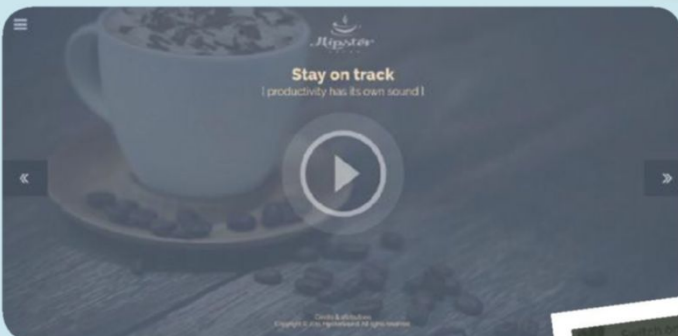
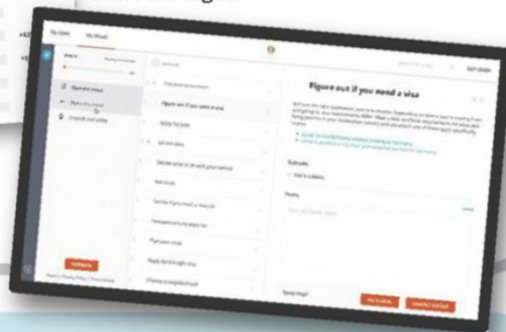


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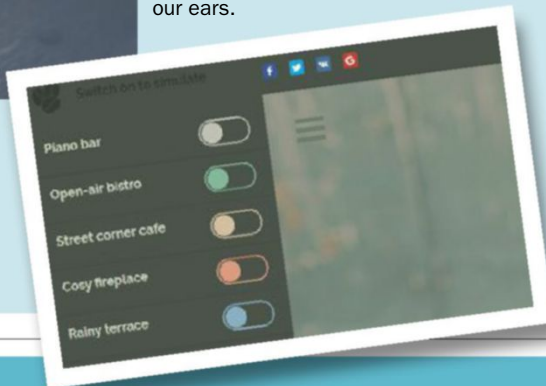


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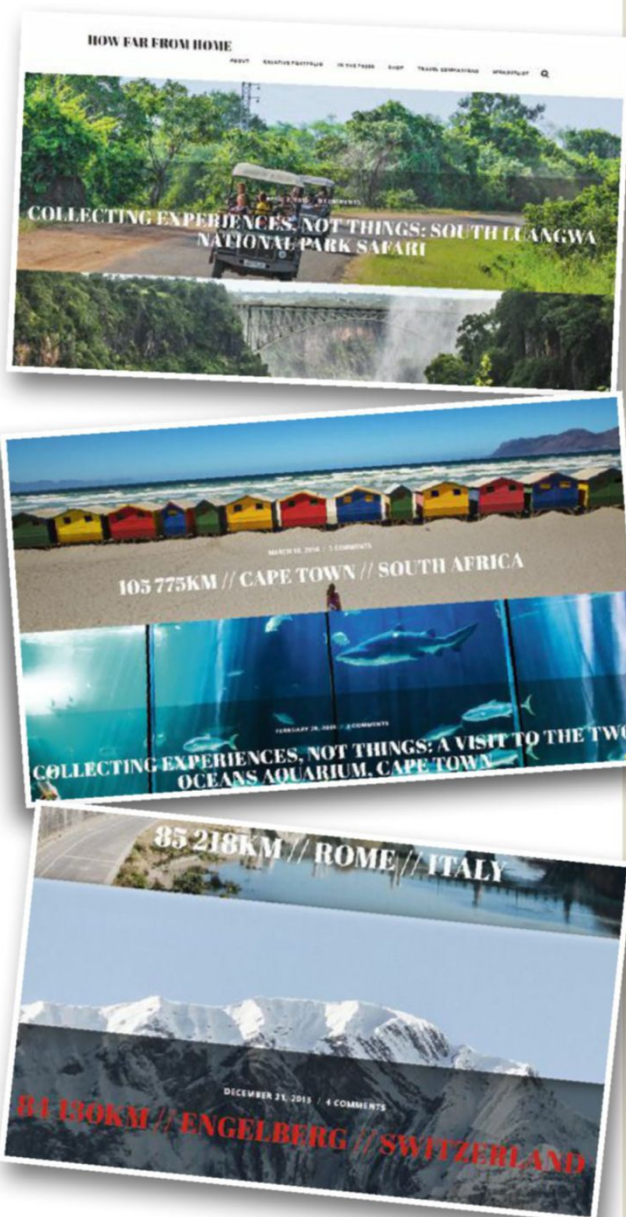
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FAR, FAR AWAY

@ <http://howfarfromhome.com>

South African couple Stevo Dirnberger and Chanel Cartell gave up cushy advertising jobs to find out one thing: “How far from home can we get?” Pretty far, it seems. This passion project, which has been going on for 13 months and counting, has taken them 112,255km around the world (that’s more than two trips around the world!), and has seen them tick off 38 out of 85 items on their “wanderlist”. Still on their bucket list: Catch a salmon in Alaska, photograph the northern lights in Scandinavia, and um, snap a photo of a dog walking in Central Park, NYC. What we’d really like to know: how is ‘earning money to fund the trip’ not on the list?



YOUTUBE OF THE WEEK



COOKIE IDEA

► Search: **iPhone 6s – Timer – Behind the Scenes**

If you thought Apple’s recent iPhone 6S ad starring Sesame Street’s Cookie Monster was cute, you’ll love this follow-up. A collection of adorable ‘outtakes’ from the original commercial, this ‘bloopers reel’ consists of scenes of Cookie being hit in the head by a film slate, interacting with Siri, and trying to stay professional around his biggest indulgence.

MISSIONARY POSITION

► Search: **Adele – Hello (Mormon Missionary Parody)**

Just when you think you’ve seen every possible parody of Adele’s hit ‘Hello’, along comes one with Mormon missionaries. In this hilarious video, two missionaries sing their woes as they go door to door to preach: “Hello from the other side/ We must’ve rang a thousand times/ To tell you we don’t have 10 or more wives/ When we ring you never seem to be home...”



SHELF LIFE

► Search: **SK-II: Marriage market takeover**



Ladies, skincare brand SK-II wants you to know that it’s okay to be single. Their new ad tackles traditional cultural attitudes towards women and shines a

spotlight on the social stigma of being a “leftover woman” in China. The documentary-style ad features parents lamenting the fate of their unmarried daughters and then coming to terms with them not wanting to get married “just for the sake of marriage”. 📺



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Swimming with sea lions

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Surfing at Fleurieu Peninsula

Though there are many more surfing spots all around South Australia for professional surfers looking to cut some wave, the mid-coast beaches of Christies Beach, South Port, Seaford, Moana and Sellicks Beach of Fleurieu Peninsula offer good surfing for both novices and experienced board riders. If you're a complete noob, you can sign up for some surf lessons that start from A\$50 (which right now adds up to about S\$50) a person, inclusive of surfboard and wetsuit rental. All you need are your towel, swimmers, some refreshments and sunblock. Plus, Fleurieu Peninsula is an hour from Adelaide by car. Sweet!

BEST EATS Star of Greece

Snorkeling off Eyre Peninsula

Still keeping things near the water



surface, if you're into something a little more relaxed, you might enjoy snorkeling near Whyalla (the cuttlefish capitol of the world, mind you) on the east coast of Eyre Peninsula and watch giant cuttlefish change colour and texture to blend in with their environment. From Adelaide, Whyalla is a four hour drive (or 45 minute plane ride) away so we'd recommend taking an overnight trip. Also, the best time to see these

beautiful creatures in full force is during their annual spawning season from May to August.

BEST EATS 1802 Oyster Bar & Bistro

Shark-cage diving off Port Lincoln

Cuttlefish not your thing? Well, maybe you've always wanted to see a Great White Shark up close and personal in their natural habitat. If that's how you roll, nothing in the world brings you as close as shark cage diving at Shark Bay, 70km off the coast of Port Lincoln at the Neptune Islands. Apparently humans aren't preferred prey for the Great White, so I guess that makes it a little less scary ... Well, not really. But whatever floats your boat!

BEST EATS Del Giorno's Café Restaurant



Swimming with sea lions off Port Lincoln

For something a little less intense, consider taking a dip with the rare and endangered Australian Sea Lions in their natural habitat at Seal Cove. No cage here and it's probably not that close to Shark Bay either. **BEST EATS** Sarin Restaurant, Port Lincoln Hotel

Hang out with dolphins off Adelaide

If dolphins are more your style, head over to the waters of Glenelg, home to over a thousand dolphins and just 20 minutes from the Adelaide city centre. Hop on a catamaran, grab hold of the floatation line attached to the boat's stern, and before long you'll be hanging with some friendly dolphin folk, frolicking in the water. It's important to note that these dolphins are wild so don't go leaping over for free hugs. **BEST EATS** Sean's Kitchen



Whale Watching off Victor Harbor

The winter months (from May) are a fine time for some whale watching off the coast of Victor Harbor. Book a boat tour with The Big Duck and get a closer look as Southern Right Whales and Humpback Whales make their way from the Antarctic waters the warmer oceans around South Australia to feed, mate and give birth. **BEST EATS** Flying Fish Café, Port Elliot

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APP OF THE WEEK

IMDOWN

This is the first entertainment network devoted to showcasing minute-long full-screen portrait format clips. Why vertical videos? Because they're said to be "viewed nine times [more] than horizontal videos on mobile phones". Really? Anyhoo, users can use this iOS app to upload content, watch video stories from all over the world, and, of course, share them with pals from other social media platforms.



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Wildfire, Rachel Platten

After 13 years in the biz and two album flops, the 34-year-old American singer-songwriter has finally scored her first hit with the infectious, uplifting anthem 'Fight Song' that'll probably get you through a messy break-up, bad hair day, and Monday blues — all at once. In fact, this catalogue of feelgood, empowering tracks ("Every day I see angels around me," she coos on 'Angels in Chelsea') is probably better for you than that kale and chia seed superfood smoothie you chugged down this morning.

➔ THE ONE WITH FULL OF SURPRISES!

It's Not Over... The Hits So Far, Daughtry

That Chris Daughtry has enough chart-topping material to cobble together a greatest hits compilation is probably the biggest surprise of all. With the final episode of *American Idol* done and dusted, this nostalgic trip down memory lane couldn't have come at a better time — and we suspect no one knows that better than the *Idol* finalist himself.



➔ THE ONE FOR THE UNDERDOGS!

This is Acting, Sia

This album wouldn't have been possible without Adele, Rihanna, and a stinging dose of rejection. 'Bird Set Free' was penned for the *Pitch Perfect 2* OST, only to be dropped and replaced by Jessie J's 'Flashlight'. Rihanna then passed on the song, and it later almost made it onto Adele's 25 album (she'd recorded but left it out of the final cut). Another Adele reject: 'Alive', which the Brit songstress culled in the last minute. "It's about her life, so now I sing the song from her perspective," Sia muses. Both 'Reaper' and 'Cheap Thrills'

could've made it to Rihanna's album...if only Riri turned up for the recording session. If there's someone who knows just what it's like to make lemonade from (unwanted) lemons that life hurls at you, it's Sia.

GAME ON!

Kiss your weekend goodbye with these games.



Quantum Break (Xbox One)

Killing time takes on a new meaning in this shooter from the creators of *Max Payne* that mixes exciting action and intriguing narrative. What can a bloke

(played by *X-Men*'s Shawn Ashmore) do to stop an evil corporation from destroying time? Good thing he's blessed with cool time-manipulating powers to stop the doomsday.



Tom Clancy's The Division (PS4, Xbox One)

Explore the streets of pandemic-hit New York City in this thrilling open-world shooter as a badass member of the eponymous black ops unit. Your mission: Find the cure or die tryin' (and then try again).



Lego Marvel's Avengers (PS4, Xbox One)

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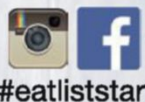
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Eat clean, affordably

STORY JOEL TAN PHOTOS EALBERT HO & CHEE YAN

A former cook at a hip Bukit Timah café now dishes out healthy plates at a Bishan kopitiam, while an ex-L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon chef serves wholesome atas 'cai png' in a food court.

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Amid the hawker stalls at the somewhat shabby kopitiam above Bishan bus interchange is this chic, homey joint dishing out healthy mod western plates. Bubbly chef-owner Sanye Lam, 33, used to be a cook at the wholesome and raw food eatery The Living Café in Bukit Timah, where she first attended its cooking classes before joining the kitchen full-time. After working there for two years, she decided to open her own place, offering similar cuisine. But instead of swanky Bukit Timah, Sanye set up shop in this humble heartland neighbourhood. The Wholefood Kitchen is "flexitarian", meaning plenty of veg and just a bit of meat (no red), like healthier chicken





breast and salmon, among vegetarian and vegan options. "Vegetarianism is good, but it's easier to encourage people to try it out by slowly cutting meat out of their diet, instead of completely removing it," says Sanye, who's been flexitarian for many years now, and is passionate about changing people's minds about "plant-based cuisine" and raw food. Sixty-five per cent of the food here is cooked, and the rest is served raw. Being staunch carnivores, we are sceptical, but we sit down to a meal and are pleasantly surprised.

THE LOOK: The coffeeshop on the second floor overlooking the bus interchange is humid and not the most glamorous spot for soba and salad. During our visit, many aunties gawked curiously at the stall, which almost looks like a mini standalone café.

ON THE MENU: A little sign here notes that the food is free of dairy, refined and processed products, red meat, preservatives and as far as possible, made from scratch. You choose one of four "fillings" ranging from tofu to salmon, and pair it with one of four "dishes", like brown rice, salad or a wrap to make it a meal. Also available are weekly specials and desserts.

PRICE GUIDE (excl. beverages)

As a rough guide, dollar signs have been assigned to each eatery:

- 1 < \$30 per person
- 2 \$30 – \$59 per person
- 3 \$60 – \$100 per person
- 4 > \$100 per person

THE FOOD



➤ Cuban Mojo Chicken (\$9)

Flavourful chunks of chicken breast marinated in orange juice, lime and oregano before being lightly pan-fried. Served in a toasted wholewheat wrap rolled up with grated carrots, lettuce, and a piquant cumin and paprika-spiked guacamole. Spicy, tangy and also gluten-free, if that matters to you.

➤ Lemongrass Tofu with Curried Cashew (\$8)

We have this served with mushy brown rice. But the pan-fried tofu is robustly flavourful and pleasantly firm. It's pressed overnight then marinated with lemongrass, ginger and lime. The subtly curried roasted cashews provide a nice, sweet crunch, and there's a fresh salsa of tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers dressed with cayenne pepper, chilli and lime. Apart from the blah rice, it's a colourful and tasty plate that happens to be good for you.



➤ Citrus Tofu Seaweed Salad with Cooling Shiitake Soba Noodles (\$12)

This was the weekly special when we visited. The pan-fried tofu is marinated in orange juice and liquid amino (a salty amino acid-rich liquid made from soy beans and often used as a gluten-free replacement for soy sauce), which sounds weird, but lends the tofu an intriguing savouriness. Heaped with raw carrots, cashews, cucumbers, sliced seaweed and mushrooms on a bed of chewy buckwheat soba tossed in a citrusy dressing. Refreshing, with a nice hit of umami.



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➤ Cakes (\$5 each)

There's a selection of egg-, gluten- and dairy-free raw cakes made by blitzing nuts, oil and other ingredients in a blender, then set in the fridge. Skip the Pandan and White Chocolate (middle in pic), with pandan juice, cocoa butter and cashew nut butter. It has an unpleasant icy crunchiness and only the barest whiff of pandan. Instead, order the Lemon Pistachio (bottom in pic), which has a bright citrusy flavour and smooth texture. It's made with lemon juice, coconut oil (which Sanye says gives it its silkiness), a touch of turmeric and cashew nut butter on a 'crust' of pistachios, almonds and dates.



BOTTOM LINE: Good-for-you grub that's filling, quite yummy and attractively plated (but perhaps skip the desserts here). Yes, it's a little bit expensive for a sweaty kopitiam experience, but a similar meal at a healthy hipster café will cost you almost double.



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“We did NS together and became friends there, and swore that one day we would go into business together. So, many years later, we finally did it!” laughs 30-year-old chef and co-owner Jasper Jek (left), pointing to his biz partner, former property agent, Irvine Goh, 30, who helps run the store at this “clean eating” kiosk at China Square Food Centre. Super Simple serves what’s essentially a mod European “economical rice”. Botak Jasper may still look like a recruit, but he recently completed a year-long cooking stint in Norway at one Michelin-starred mod European fine-diner Renaa Restaurant. Prior to that, he was junior sous chef at L’Atelier de Joël Robuchon at Resorts World Sentosa for almost three years. Impressive credentials behind this takeaway joint. It may seem like a far cry from the French dishes he cooked at Robuchon, but Jasper says that all the restaurants he’s worked at have had a strong focus on bringing out the best in simple ingredients, especially vegetables. He wanted to bring that approach to a humble food court to cater to picky CBD eaters looking for wallet-friendly yet healthy grub. They guys plan to offer delivery service soon, and also



hope to open a few more outlets over the next two years.

THE LOOK: Super Simple is sandwiched between a Korean and Thai food joint in a food court that doesn’t look like much, but actually has a lot of fun options, like Yong Tau Foo and Ban Mian stalls rubbing shoulders with an onigiri shop. This outfit

stands out, though, for its sleek storefront with wooden touches and colourful food display.

ON THE MENU: The concept here is similar to The Daily Cut, with its focus on pairing healthy proteins with complex carbs. With its trendy cai png concept, it’s also kinda like Grain Traders, though the menu here is smaller, and with more gourmet flourishes, like pickled mustard seeds, confit onions and house-infused chive oil. To keep things healthy and as oil-free as possible, there’s also lots of slow cooking in the oven, such as mi-cuit (French for semi-cooked) salmon. You order by ticking boxes on a slightly fussy-looking form that lets you choose between three different sizes. The bigger the size, the more ingredients you get. To assemble a meal, pick proteins like chicken (breast or thigh), steak or salmon, a complex carb like brown rice, wholewheat pasta or sweet potato, and a bunch of supplements like vegetables, sous vide eggs and freshly-shaved parmesan cheese. If you can’t be bothered to choose, just get one of their four “No Fuss Sets” where everything’s assembled for you. Because we’re lazy, we zoom in on the following.

THE FOOD

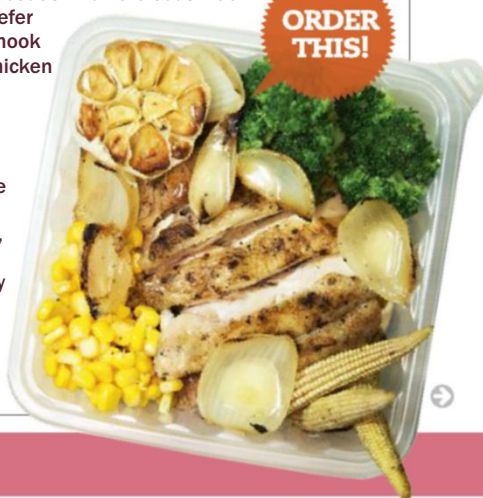
Chicken Set (\$9.90)

Chicken breast, served on brown rice with grilled corn, edamame beans, and a dressing of orange-plum sauce. The bird is juicy and divine. It’s brined then baked in the oven at a low temperature over a long time (chef

refuses to reveal details) till just lightly done. So moist it tastes almost as if it were sous vide.

Surprisingly, we prefer this to the other chook option of grilled chicken thigh. Meanwhile, the accompanying grilled corn has a nice crunch and smokiness and the edamame sweet and al dente. Also, the silky sous vide egg and pleasantly bittersweet dressing help perk up the boring brown rice.

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THE FOOD

➔ **Salmon Set** (\$10.90)

Farmed Norwegian salmon fillet gently seasoned with salt and cooked slowly at low heat in the oven until very tender. Served with sweet potato, grilled fennel, raw baby radish and lashings of chive-infused oil.

The fish has a clean flavour and wonderfully creamy texture. Delicious paired with the rather gourmet veggies and comforting sweet potato.

➔ **Steak Set** (\$9.90)

New Zealand rib-eye, each portion about five thick slices, pan-seared then finished in the oven with a touch of butter, thyme and garlic until it's pink and medium-rare. Sadly, it's a bit dry, although it's still fatty and perfumed with a fragrant roast beef flavour. Comes with a salad of romaine lettuce, slightly tart confit onions, pickled mustard seeds, tomatoes and a simple honey mustard dressing. It makes a decent meal and, at \$9.90, is quite a steal.

ORDER THIS!

BOTTOM LINE: Indeed super simple but well-made and somewhat refined clean eats perfect for brightening up dreary office lunches. Moreover, while the food here is lovely eaten hot, it's still yummy at room temperature when we cracked open our leftovers an hour later. 🍴

Another affordable chirashi don to try

➔ A stone's throw from Super Simple within the same food court is another healthy lunch option. The Test Kitchen @ Singapore stall space that hosts different Japanese eateries for pop-

up stints is currently occupied by Gastro Fujiyama, a new concept by casual Japanese restaurant, Sakanadonya Kunimaru, at Boon Tat Street, which is run by a seafood distributor. The fish at this pop-up stall is directly imported from Okinawa. Apparently, the island is one of Japan's biggest sources of bluefin, yellowfin and albacore tuna.

The highlight here? Chirashi bowls. We order the signature **Mixed Kaisen Don** (\$14) that comes with seasonal fish. On our visit, there was albacore tuna, caught during springtime. It's buttery soft, with a milder, less irony flavour than the more premium bluefin. There was also fairly generously-sliced swordfish, squid and salmon on lightly vinegary rice. The fabulously fresh seafood comes unadorned with any sauce (just dip it into a saucer of soy on the side, like sashimi). Good value. 🍴

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IT'S TIME TO PRESERVE WHAT WE LOVE

Tiger Beer is spearheading a movement to reclaim our pride in our street food culture and preserve it.

Kway Guan Huat's third-generation popiah maker, Michael, started his apprenticeship at 12 under his father but was only allowed to serve his first plate at 22.

A love of food is the bond that connects all Singaporeans. We happily snap photos of what we eat and share them on Instagram and Facebook. But how many of the food photos we post on our social media are of our iconic hawker dishes? Are we taking our street food for granted? That's the question that Tiger Beer wants you to think about.

Tiger Beer has produced three films that put the spotlight on three hawkers at www.tigerbeer.com.sg. Each story unveils the hard work that goes into the creation of dishes like Hokkien mee, char kway teow and popiah. Watching the films, you'll find yourself gaining a deeper appreciation and respect for the hawker stalwarts who have painstakingly honed their culinary skills over decades to create these tastes of home.

As the iconic Singapore beer, Tiger Beer is synonymous with our street food heritage. Sadly, an ageing generation of hawkers facing a lack of successors, rising costs and competition from upmarket restaurants have threatened the survival of our hawker centres and coffeeshops. Has it ever crossed your mind that you may not be able to find your favourite dish in the hawker centre one day?

While we love our street food, we just don't show it enough. So how can we show our appreciation for our street food? In what ways can



Proprietor of Outram Park Fried Kway Teow Mee, Uncle Ng would rather his sons carry on with their careers than take over his business.

we inspire respect for the culinary craft and heritage of our street food? How can we give a boost to our next generation of hawkers?

It could be as simple as posting photos of your favourite hawker stalls or dishes on social media to create more buzz about them.

Start by sharing your favourite street food photos with hashtag **#UNCAGESTREETFOOD** on social media. Join the conversation at www.tigerbeer.com.sg and Facebook page at www.facebook.com/TigerBeer.SG and be part of the movement to preserve our street food culture.



At 73, Mr Chia, who runs the Hokkien Prawn Mee stall in ABC Brickworks Food Centre, still works tirelessly from 5am to 10.30pm every day.



A good • mix

MAZE-SOBA NAGOYA STYLE

KAJIKEN's signature dish is called maze-soba, which really means "mixed" dry ramen. And it's delicious.

“The word ‘soba’ is used mainly for buckwheat noodles, but in Japan, but we say soba to mean ramen too — like yakisoba, which is fried yellow noodles,” says cheeky-faced co-owner of Kajiken restaurant, Kenta Kuribayashi (below), 36, in fluent English. The Nagoya native who looks like a retired bronzed beach boy, co-owns this Singaporean franchise from his hometown. It specialises in dry ramen called maze-soba (say “mah-zeh”) and boasts 47 outlets across Japan. The noodle joint at Orchid Hotel is slightly over a month old, and stands out from the other



ramen shops in the building (such as Ramen Keisuke Tonkotsu King) because all seven bowls offered here are served dry. Like an amped up Japanese version of mee pok tah. This isn't new to us — we've been slurping up mazesoba at three-year-old sister restaurant Ramen Matsuri

on North Canal Road for some time now. The latter also offers this dish on top of its signature chicken soup ramen.

THE LOOK: Small, no-frills, but bright, clean and inviting. A welcome change from its more dingy sibling eatery Matsuri. There's a small counter in front of the open kitchen, plus a few tables indoors, and a couple outdoors if you don't mind dining in this blazing heat.

THE FOOD: While the signature dish here is the **Maze-soba Nagoya Style** (\$12.80), it isn't our favourite thing. Simply because it tastes like *zha jiang mian* and we don't like *zha jiang mian*. It is also called Taiwanese mazesoba, says Kenta, because this version of dry ramen was created by Taiwanese immigrants in Nagoya. The minced pork topping is stir-fried with



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MAZE-SOBA WITH ALL TOPPINGS

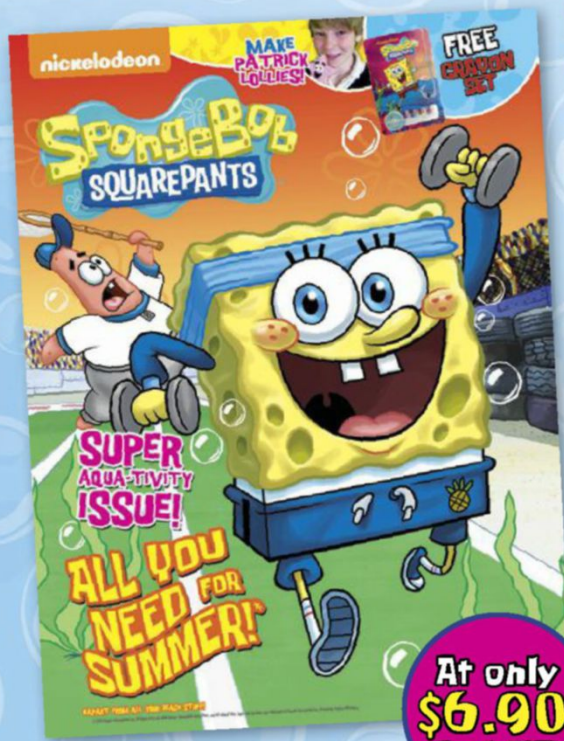
noodles and a poached egg. Because maze means “mixed”, you’re instructed to toss your noodles along with its seasoning of soy and secret blended oils including sunflower and sesame for 20 long seconds to incorporate its flavours (not necessary, we think, moreover, who has the time?). As you mix, the poached egg disappears into the noodles to coat it thickly like a sauce, and it becomes quite rich. While this bowl is decent if you like that sort of spicy-sweet soybean paste flavour, we far prefer the **Maze-soba with All Toppings** (\$15.80). It comes with a dreamy piece of **Fried Chicken** that warrants an extra side order (\$1.50). It’s hot, fresh, crispy and succulent with gingery, garlicky juices. The noodles are also adorned with two tiles of tender shoyu-braised pork. The only low point in this dish is the rather dry chashu, and the accompanying small cup of chicken soup, which tastes like diluted leftovers from Matsuri Ramen. We like to drizzle on lots of vinegar provided in squeeze bottles at each table, to give the noodles more complexity and an appetising jolt of sharpness. On our second visit here, we swap out the poached egg for a hard-boiled creamy-yolked **Flavoured Egg** (\$1.50 as an add-on) so the dish is less jelak. A larger portion of noodles is served at no extra charge for carb fiends.

We only wish there were more condiments such as fried garlic chips to sass up the noodles, and side dishes like gyoza for variety.

VERDICT: ★★★★★ Super satisfying dry ramen that unlike its soupy brethren, stays al dente to the last bite. So you don’t have to gobble up your noodles like a maniac for fear of soggy strands. 8

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Now you can get a good nasi lemak fix in town, and more importantly, in air-conditioned comfort. This 21-seater at Ion Orchard is the third and newest 'atas' outlet bringing together famous hawkers stalls Selera Rasa Nasi Lemak from Adam Road and Rafee's Corner teh tarik from Amoy Street (there are two other Crave outlets, one in Bedok and another in Hougang). Here, the nasi lemak and teh are prepared using the original recipes. For a satisfying meal, order the Crave Royal Rumble (\$6.90) that comes with its signature coconut-infused basmati rice, chicken wing, bergedil (potato patty) and fried kuning fish. Pair it with a cup of Teh Tarik (from \$1.80). Don't expect Rafee himself to pull the tea here, though.



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Here's a cutesy cafe for Sanrio fans. Expect everything to be



TACO RICE IN A CUP OF FRIENDSHIP

Take your (barbe)cue

Parties by the beach can now be a more stylish affair.

Love outdoor grilling but only have a tiny balcony in your flat? Or hate those communal pits at East Coast Park? Enter the **Weber Q's** sleek portable barbecue grill. Think of it as the grill version of your steamboat pot — pop in a mini gas cylinder so you can take it along with you (say, on a really elaborate date at the beach for someone you wanna impress). The fact that it's a lidded barbecue means you can slap your meats on the grill, sear the outsides and then close the lid to ensure even cooking. You can also bake a cake in this — we're not kidding. We sampled a Betty



Crocker chocolate cake baked in this baby and it came out perfectly moist. The entry level Weber Q1200 (\$729; stand in pic sold separately), the size of a small cabin luggage, can easily fit six burger patties. Comes with a built-in thermometer, drip tray at the bottom for easy cleaning, and foldable work tables.

— STACEY ANNE RODRIGUES

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Pompompuri-fied, from the dining ware to a three-metre-tall tree (not living, of course), the centrepiece of the 78-seater. The Singapore branch, opened by Sanrio Japan and local restaurant group Create Restaurants Asia, is themed "garden city". It's decorated with potted plants, synthetic grass and pebbled walkways as a backdrop for the canine character. Of course, the Japanese-Western food here is *kawaii* too. The Taco Rice in a Cup of Friendship (\$19.99) features a Pompompurin-shaped rice mound in a mug, served with minced beef, pork and veggies. For dessert, there's the Pompompurin Mango Parfait (\$19.99), layers of sponge cake, vanilla ice cream and mango chunks topped with pudding shaped like, yes, Pompompurin. Time to get busy on Instagram. You can take more than photos home too: there's adorable merchandise, like water bottles and plush toys, for sale.

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Opened by the people behind Middle-Eastern restaurant Beirut Grill, this 55-seater is inspired by Alexander the Great's conquests in the Mediterranean, Middle East and North India. Arya (the restaurant spelled it with an extra A) means 'noble' in Sanskrit and according to the PR rep, also 'late' in Greek, the latter a reference to how the restaurant is transformed into a lounge on Friday and Saturday nights with live music and DJs. The menu offers a range of Mediterranean eats (mostly Greek) and also some North Indian cuisine. Order The Aryaa Meze Platter (\$18) of Greek dips with hard-to-pronounce names, like Melitzanosalata, roasted eggplant with tomatoes, garlic, onions, served with pita bread. For flavours closer to home, try the Butter Chicken (\$22) with tandoor-grilled chook bathed in a rich gravy. **E**



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Bulletin Place's cocktail menu is concise, with just five mainly fruit-driven cocktails that rotate daily. The cocktails are amazingly simple, most having no more than just four ingredients, yet the creations are smooth, well-balanced and simply delicious.

10-14 Bulletin Place, Sydney NSW 2000



Located within the Kirketon Hotel, Eau de Vie's 1920s-style interior is all dark wood, steel beams and leather couches. The flashy showmanship connects perfectly to the heavenly-tasting cocktails. From sight to taste to smell, every sense is stimulated.

229 Darlinghurst Road,
Darlinghurst NSW 2010



The bartenders at Pocket Bar are charmingly well-versed in their craft which makes a seating at the bar counter all that more interactive. Pocket does off-menu cocktails and classics upon request, like New York Sour, a whisky sour with pinot noir that I simply adored. Besides the lavish variety of liquors, there's also a small collection of home infused rum which changes seasonally.

13 Burton Street, Sydney NSW 2010





Sydney is home to a bevy of trendy cafes every cafe-hopper dreams of. Many share the space with local design retailers, attracting Sydneysiders and tourists alike looking for good brunch, and the most insta-worthy of locations.

The Grounds of Alexandria is crazily packed as if half the population of Sydney were here for brunch, so you'll want to come early. If not, expect a wait of 30 to 40 minutes (no reservations). Great brunch dishes include the Grounds Baked Eggs, Chef's Brekkie Pan and Berry Hotcake. There's a small petting zoo for the kids, with chickens, sheep and Kevin Bacon, the local celebrity swine.

7A, 2 Huntley Street, Alexandria NSW 2015



Bills' scrambled eggs are simply legendary. Served with sourdough toast with a side of smashed avocado, the smooth, creamy organic eggs are worth a trip to either their Bondi Beach or Surry Hills outlets. The restaurant reflects the Aussie spirit: sunny, casual and generous.

79 Hall Street, Bondi Beach NSW 2026



Porch and Parlour's peeling-paint walls and coastal ambience match the laid-back beach life many Sydneysiders have grown fond of. The Green Brekkie Bowl (kale, spinach, quinoa, coriander, mint, parsley, avocado and poached eggs) is the epitome of a healthy diet. But if that's not your cup of smoothie, options like The Devil's Breakfast, with chorizo, roasted potatoes, bean molé, and chilli and paprika-doused eggs, are also available.

17-18/110 Ramsgate Ave, North Bondi, NSW 2026

Cornersmith is a small, well-loved, couple-run cafe that also doubles as a picklery. A seasonal menu revolves around locally sourced produce from small-scale growers and suppliers. Housemade pickles and relishes make their appearance in the dishes and can also be bought and brought home.

441 Illawarra Rd, Sydney NSW 2204





What's *brewing?*

Chill out at the top, discover a new hangout spot that suits you to a *tea*, or just doodle with newfangled pens.



#1: Tea off in style.

If you've always been more of a tea person than a coffee addict, you'll be pleased to sip brews at the new 1872 Clipper Tea Co flagship store at Ion Orchard. There's an in-store tea bar which serves a selection of pastries to pair with your choice of drink, like lemon yuzu éclairs (\$7.50) and earl grey truffles (\$8.50). Yes, you could say it's a bit like TWG Tea. On top of standard hot brews, 1872 Clipper specialises in cold brew black teas, which are steeped for over 24 hours with various ingredients to create different iced tea mocktails and milk teas. There is the apple pie (\$6.50), brewed with apple slices, cloudy apple juice and cinnamon syrup, as well as lemongrass ginger, brewed with candied ginger and lemongrass syrup. For something richer and sweeter, order the Gula Melaka Tea Latte, made with gula Melaka and cream.

The 1872 Clipper Tea Co flagship store is at #B4-07 Ion Orchard, clippertea.com.sg



#2: Attend a rooftop gig.

Back for the second year is A Rooftop Affair, an acoustic concert held atop your friendly (quaint) neighbourhood mall, myVillage at Serangoon Gardens. Headlining the show this year is YouTube star Greyson Chance, who shot to fame after his school piano performance of Lady Gaga's *Paparazzi* became a viral hit. Yes, little Greyson Chance is all grown up now, and will be performing new songs, like *Hit & Run* and *Afterlife*, in addition to his radio favourites, *Unfriend You* and *Waiting Outside the Lines*.

Catch A Rooftop Affair on Jun 18, at myVillage at Serangoon Garden level 3. Spend \$90 in nine days at myVillage to redeem one invite; spend \$160 in nine days for two invites. For more info, go to <http://lnk.com/arooftopaffair>.



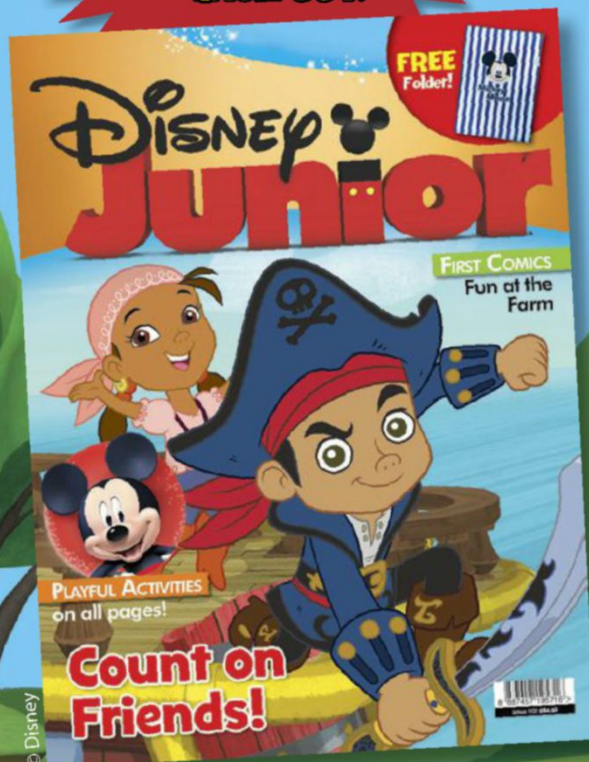
#3: Digitise your doodles.

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For well-designed, unique finds, these stores have you covered when you need to go gift shopping.



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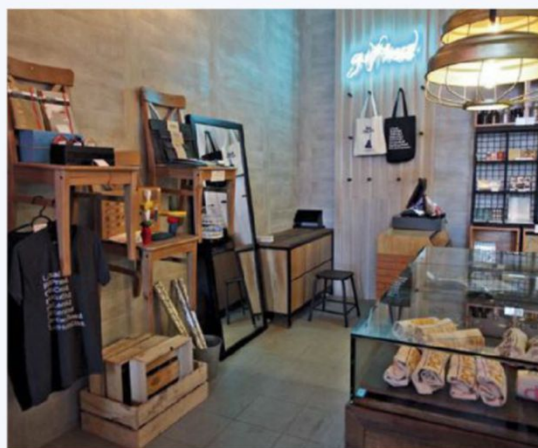
Where: National Gallery Singapore

This retail-meets-F&B space is the perfect shopping destination for the design snob. From homeware to watches to fashion to coffee beans (from local roasters, Papa Palheta, of course), it's got enough range to satisfy the fussiest of gift recipients. Here's the real selling point though: they carry exhibit-inspired merchandise. You won't find your buy-them-everywhere Andy Warhols or basic prints of artwork. Instead, you'll find collaborative efforts which give the artwork

Candles by Mud Rock and Candles of Light inspired by artwork at the National Gallery Singapore.



a different dimension, like the limited edition candles by local ceramic maker, Mud Rock and chandlers, Candles of Light, which add "smell" to Wu Guanzhong's ink painting, *Spring Mountains in Red and Ink* and Chua Ek Kay's *Blue Window*. Don't know who they are? That's okay, because this is as close to buying art for someone without forking out big bucks. And if someone prefers receiving experiences rather than tangible goods, sign them up for workshops, to mould ceramics or blend custom scents.



Gifted

Where: Pasarbella Suntec City

Opened by former model, Charmaine Ham, together with two silent partners, Gifted, at the recently opened Pasarbella Suntec City, sells a mix of artisanal, handcrafted products, some even eco-friendly. The collection of products features well-loved brands like The Little Drom Store and Love Sg. You'll also find exclusive products from eco-conscious designer Kevin Cheung, who champions upcycled product design, Aurora Alchemy essential oils, as well as Ham's own crystal jewellery brand, Charmed.

Boombottle by Kevin Cheung is a portable speaker system made of a waste plastic container.



The Art Faculty by Pathlight

Where: Enabling Village, Lengkok Bahru

While you may not think of the Enabling Village in Redhill when you need retail therapy, you'll be surprised by how much of a shopping destination this is. The Art Faculty by Pathlight, set up by the Autism Resource Centre (ARC), is a retail art gallery, which features artists in residence, art workshops for those with autism spectrum disorder, and also retails merchandise created only by those with special needs. You'll find cute animal cartoon cups and coasters by The Animal Project SG, printed T-shirts and bags, and business card cases with illustrations by some of the Pathlight artists. It's not a large space, but you're shopping for a cause. Plus, there's a Starbucks community project coffee bar situated in the Art Faculty, run by Pathlight members, for that caffeine fix. ☑



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How to get the blues

Blue Man Group percussionist **JONATHAN CLAPHAM** has no issues with Monday blues or getting soaked in blue paint.



WHO'S HE? Jonathan Clapham, 38, who has been performing with the Blue Man Group for 12 years. The American performance art company's interactive percussive shows revolve around a trio of merry blue-hued actors who communicate with the audience only through music and actions (no talking, Ma!). The group recently made a cameo at American rock band The Killers' concert in Las Vegas, drumming along to their hit song, 'Human'.

#1 Before I joined the Blue Man Group... I was working as a ticket seller for a theatre. I was in acting school in Chicago and moved to New York to start my acting career. That's how every actor begins, right? *(Laughs)* I decided to audition for the Blue Man Group and got in.

#2 You have to be about 1.82m tall to be a Blue Man. It doesn't have much to do with the performance, but the original founders were around that height so it became a tradition to get people

with similar height.

And you don't need to have blue eyes to be a Blue Man. *(Laughs)* My eyes are really green under certain lighting. The most important thing you must have is a genuine desire to connect with the audience 'cos there is an innocence to the Blue Man character.

#3 The other two Blue Men and I hang out outside of work too... Our show works best when we connect with one another. We look like we are just joking around when we're together, but we're really bonding. I've been [performing for] 12 years and it has been amazing 'cos there's a sense of belonging. We all work together to create this experience for the audience.

#4 I'm not tired of the colour blue. But I do get too many people who sing [Eiffel 65's '90s hit dance track] 'Blue (Da Ba Dee)' to me. I'd be like, "Oh my god, not that song again!"

#5 My favourite colour is actually... neon green (points to his neon green sunglasses, watch and sneakers). I'm not afraid to be colourful. I own just three blue shirts and some blue jeans.

#6 There's a shade of blue called Blue Man blue.

It's literally called that. I know this blue the best 'cos it's on my face all the time! But it's not a customised shade, just a proprietary blend.

#7 I take 15 minutes... to put on the blue make-up.

It's a thick grease paint similar to clown paint. We apply the paint on ourselves like we're spreading Nutella on bread. A make-up artist will help us apply it to places where we can't reach, like the back of our heads. Does the paint get into where the sun don't shine? No, we wear a black outfit and just paint the remaining parts that are visible, like the face and neck. I take 20 minutes to wash off the paint, and it gets very, very messy. I use mineral oil or jojoba oil to get everything out. The company doesn't test the paint on us for allergies, but so far I've never had any skin issues arising from it.

I exfoliate so much to remove the make-up, it actually benefits my skin. It's the fountain of youth. I'm actually 75 years old! (Laughs)

#8 If you don't want us to pick you to go on stage...

...just be overly eager. We're very attentive towards the audience's body language, and try to avoid people who go, "Pick me! Pick me!" They tend to show off once they're on stage and take the focus away from the show. We prefer someone who is more shy and curious about what's going to happen. They will listen to what they have to do, and the audience enjoys watching that. Kids are the best audience. They'll notice the subtle jokes and laugh, and this makes the rest of the audience get the joke too.

#9 What I've learnt on the job that I didn't learn in school is...

...that communication

is very important. I love the way our show can communicate without speaking. I've been to places like Indonesia and Latin America where they don't speak English, and I like to think that understanding people comes easier to me 'cos as Blue Men, we learn how to read a person's energy level. It's very cathartic when you finally understand somebody after the initial struggle.

#10 I don't get the Monday blues...

'cos Monday is my day off! (Laughs) I'm generally a happy person. But when I'm feeling blue, I'll do something artistic like draw, or go for a hike and explore wherever I am. If I wasn't a Blue Man, I'd probably be an artist working on creative projects. ■

Catch the Blue Man Group, from now until Apr 24, at MasterCard Theatres at Marina Bay Sands. Tix from Sistic. They will also be performing at Star Awards Show 1 on Apr 17, Ch 8, 7pm.

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The Moneymaker:

SEZAIRI SEZALI, 29.

He was the third Singapore Idol as well as the final winner to be off the market when he got hitched to girlfriend of seven years, Syaza, a 25-year-old business development exec, at a solemnisation ceremony in January in front of 120 guests. The couple will hold their traditional wedding later this year. Also akan datang: Sezaïri, who made his acting debut in the SG50 commemorative drama *1965*, is releasing his second English album later this year.



PHOTO: @SEZAIRI/INSTAGRAM

HOME IS: He moved into a five-room flat in Loyang three months ago with his wife, his mother-in-law, sister-in-law, and their six cats. "That's as many cats as we can handle financially — we spend a few hundred dollars on them each month. I firmly believe in adopting, rather than buying, cats. I'm trying to work with some organisations for my upcoming album to [raise awareness about cat adoption]."

HIS RIDE IS: Bus, MRT and the occasional Uber.

WHAT'S IN HIS WALLET: Two EZ-link cards, two debit cards, one credit card, membership cards from Takashimaya and Kris Flyer, his IC, a photo of him and his wife, some ringgit ("I just got back from Malaysia") and \$1.80 in cash ("I don't keep cash in my wallet 'cos I hate it when my wallet is thick").



8 DAYS: Two wedding ceremonies in a year. Does that mean double the spending?

SEZAIRI SEZALI: I don't believe in [spending a lot] on weddings. I spent very little — less than a five-digit sum — on the solemnisation. The wedding industry creates an illusion that makes people believe you need something really grand to profess your love. I don't think it's true at all. **Taufik got married last year. Did you take any notes?** I was very sad that I couldn't make it as I was overseas. But I watched the live feed — there were 3,000 guests! It looked fun, though.

That's more people than some concerts we've been to.

We're expecting 600 to 1,000 guests at ours. [We're told that] if you invite 1,000, you plan for 1,500. It's a cultural thing. At Malay weddings, we like to surround ourselves with a lot of people and invite everyone you know and everyone you know who knows someone, even your cousin's cousin's cousins and your cousin's sister's friends. But Syaza and I aren't really like that. We like to keep our private lives private, and getting married [in the public eye] is the first time in seven years of being together that we've done something so public. It's quite crazy, so thank goodness we have a wedding planner. But I think the whole fun of a Malay wedding is having everyone together, like, you cook

rendang together in a pot that's so big that you have to stir it with something like an oar from a dragonboat. (Laughs)

What's the biggest challenge about planning an event of this scale?

The venue. We don't want to spend an exorbitant amount of money. I'm trying to cut it down and spend about a mid-five digit sum. But the problem is that not many places in Singapore can accommodate so many people. There are venues that cost \$50,000, and I'm like, "That's normal?" It's equivalent to about 100 tables at a Chinese wedding dinner. But a Malay wedding is less of a sit down thing — people come and go all day, and it's kinda like a festival. We have a couple of places in mind but we don't wanna reveal it 'cos of gatecrashers! We had some [uninvited] people show up at our solemnisation at the Arts House. They probably figured out where we were from my Snapchat or something.

Were they fans or just there for free food?

I don't know, but thankfully, we had a guestlist and the ceremony was on the second floor, and it was quite private.

Some couples plan a wedding expecting to "recoup" the money they've spent.

I think you shouldn't go in with that mindset. I've always believed that you should spend within your means. Why take a huge loan to be happy for this one day and suffer for the next three years [paying it off]? I don't care if people say, "Sezairi's wedding isn't as cool as so-and-so's wedding."

Hey, at least I'm not in debt. That's what's most important to me.

How much did you spend on your first date with Syaza?

Probably around \$50. We went to the supermarket to buy snacks and ate them from the plastic bags while walking around Marine Parade. I tricked her into going out with me. She needed to go to the doctor, and I told her I was sick too, so we met to go to the clinic together, even though I had to travel all the way from Bukit Panjang to Marine Parade. The worst thing was that we accidentally turned up in matching T-shirts. I had on a 'Looking for Little Miss Naughty' tee and she was wearing a 'Little Miss Naughty' T-shirt. You think that it'd be like a movie moment, but it was so embarrassing. That was the last time we ever wore couple things.

Was that the cheapest date you've ever taken her on?

Actually, in the early days of our relationship, she'd pay for dates. I quit school and my job to join *Idol* — it required full-time commitment but it wasn't paying. So for those six months, if we wanted to celebrate something and go for hot pot, she'd pay. That was good. But there was a period where she quit school to pursue other things, and I'd pay for everything. It's funny 'cos now we're both working and have a shared account, so we pay for stuff together. 🍲



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DANIAL BAWANY

Age: 21

Two's better than one: If you like what you're seeing, good news for you: this personal trainer with Pakistani blood has a twin brother. "But he's more inclined towards the arts. We're very close. If one of us gets hungry in the middle of the night, we will wake each other up to go get food," chirps Danial. "When he went to Hongkong to do an internship, we both cried at the airport." Aww. This 1.86m-tall dude is also not afraid to get in touch with his girly side. Sort of. "My Instagram handle is @dannyswanepoel. I just like [Victoria's Secret model] Candice Swanepoel lah. (Laughs)"

MASTER CHEF

Danial likes to cook at home, but it's not only instant noodles okay? "I love cooking Italian food like pasta, but I eat it only once a week for my cheat day," he shares. On a regular day, he chomps on stuff like six eggs for breakfast as a protein boost. He advises, "The best diet is to eat right for your blood type. My blood type is B+, so I eat a lot of meat and dairy products like cheese and yogurt that'll help my body."

"MONKEY SEE, MONKEY DO"

That's how Danial self-deprecatingly describes his journey to being a chiselled Greek god. "I was on the plump side back when I was 14, and started working out with my cousin 'cos he has a dumbbell at home. My parents didn't want me to join any sports 'cos they were afraid I'd get injured. I didn't

know anything about fitness back then. I just went to the gym and followed whatever people did! I'm thinking of venturing into doing Crossfit and mixed martial arts soon." He's so ripped, he once got his family out of a broken-down elevator in Turkey just by using pure strength. "My mum was starting to freak out about being stuck, so I literally broke the door so we could get out." Other than a good workout, Danial also loves an adrenaline rush. "I went skiing in the Norway mountains, and the way down was a steep slope about 20km long. If you fall into the woods on either side of the path you'd die! Luckily I got through it." 🐼



The other day, Saffy, fully reclined on the lounge like a lizard in the sun, looked up from her iPad and asked, “Did you hear about Goldman Sachs?”

As out of the blue questions go, especially from Saffy, this one took the cake. Even Amanda looked up from her latest issue of Vogue to stare hard at Saffy.

“Where did you learn that name?” she asked. “You are so rude!” Saffy puffed. You could tell she was trying to look and sound offended, but her heart wasn’t really into it. “I bring it up because I am just reading here that they are paying the New York Attorney General a \$5 billion fine!”

A silence settled over our lounge room. A number of unspoken thoughts struggled to be the first to be uttered. Finally, Amanda coughed. “Who are you and what have you done with my flatmate?”

Saffy struggled to sit up. “Haha,” she said flatly. “No, really. Listen. How can people like Goldman Sachs be giving away \$5 billion like that? And more to the point, where is all that money going to?”

“You just said they’re paying the New York Attorney General,” Amanda pointed out. “Yes, I know, but the New York Attorney General can’t keep \$5 billion for himself. So where is it all going?”

It was Amanda’s turn to pause. I looked with interest from one flatmate to the other. It’s not often that you get to see a Harvard law graduate stumped. “Well...I think it goes to the... to the... uhm... banking regulators. Or something.”

Saffy pursed her lips. “Okay, so what do they do with all that money? And haven’t all those banks been paying up tonnes and tonnes of fines? How is all that money being used? Are they building new roads?”

As Amanda later said to me privately, just when you thought that Saffy had the intellectual depth of a shallow puddle, she turns right

around and surprises you with questions like the disbursement allocation of a legal authority.

“I have no idea what you just said,” I told her. Amanda ignored my ignorance and pushed on. “And this morning, she asked me what \$5 billion looks like! What kind of a question is that?”

A very good one, I thought. I mean, it’s not as if everyone has \$5 billion just lying around in a savings account that they can just GIRO-out to pay a fine.

“I’d love to be in a room that’s filled with \$5 billion,” Saffy said. She was having lunch with Sharyn

“Choy!” Saffy said. Amanda lifted an eyebrow. “I think it’s time for an austerity drive! We have to put in some cost cutting measures.”

“Don’t look at me,” Saffy said. “I’m already living by the skin of my teeth. Every single one of my meals this week has been less than four bucks! Any cheaper and I’ll be eating toast and kaya for dinner!”

“I don’t know where else we can cut down expenses. We already don’t turn on the air-con at night, and it’s been so hot lately,” I pointed out. “And don’t forget,” Saffy said to Amanda, “your idea of austerity is to take Uber!” Amanda

“Just when you thought that Saffy had the intellectual depth of a shallow puddle, she turns right around and surprises you with questions like the disbursement allocation of a legal authority.”

at Golden Shoe Carpark. “How big would the room need to be? More to the point, I wonder what it would smell like.”

“Like *wok-hei*!” Sharyn said. Saffy looked intrigued, “You think?”

“Yah! Confirm. Dat’s why hor, I love Chinese New Year. I go to the bank, withdraw two *tau-sand* dollar, put in plastic bag, and I smell. So shiok! Like very atas *hor fun*. They should make perfume and call it *Oh der Money*!”

“Eau de Money!” Saffy breathed out. “Honestly, that’s genius!” Sharyn turned pink. Meanwhile, Amanda says all this talk of money is making her nervous. “The markets are going down the toilet!” she announced this morning. “We could all be out of a job by Christmas!”

blinked. “What? That is public transportation!”

“That’s probably what Marie Antoinette said just before they chopped off her head!” Saffy said. Of course, Sharyn thinks the whole idea of us being on an austerity drive is the most hysterical thing she’s ever heard.

“Aiyoh, you don’t have *chil-ren*, how you know how to save? You have *chil-ren*, you always poor ah, I tell you! School fee, tuition fee, lunch money, school book, holiday, new clothes, school camp, new shoe, dentist, haircut... wah!”

Amanda says that Sharyn’s constant one-upmanship is getting really boring. “She’s always rubbing our noses into her children!” Saffy says Amanda really needs to work on her metaphors. ■

Many of us who live in the tropics have a bathing obsession and for good reason — it's cooling and keeps our skin feeling smooth and clean.

But some can take it to extremes.

When I first came back to Singapore as a 10-year-old in 1970, I was astounded by the number of times my grandparents bathed everyday and how I was made to follow suit. They would bathe in the morning, at lunch, mid-afternoon, evening before dinner and late at night before retiring to bed. If they went shopping, drove out in the car or did anything that remotely made them sweat like a bit of gardening, they would bathe again.

Once home, it was compulsory bath time.

It happened even if I went out to play for a while.

"Come and have a bath dear," my grandma would beckon after I'd just come home from a five-minute bicycle ride in the estate.

"You are all sweaty. You can't have dinner like that. Quickly dry up and then have a bath or you'll catch pneumonia!"

"But I just bathed half an hour ago," I would protest.

"Never mind," would be the reply, "bathing regularly is good for you. Gets rid of bacteria and keeps you clean." My grandma, being the sister of two illustrious senior doctors, was a hygiene freak who could detect any germs on your body. I was therefore hustled into

would dust me with Johnson's Baby Powder until I looked like a snowman. She and grandpa really had a thing for powder. There were always several opened tins at their disposal. The floor outside their bathroom was constantly covered with powder as they (we) collectively bathed so many times a day.

My mother, who occupied what used to be the maid's room at the back of the house, also had to suffer cold baths but after many months finally gave up and had a new water heater and a shower installed in her bathroom. At last, I could have a warm shower!

By contrast, when we lived in London during the mid- to late-'60s, I remember bathing only once or twice a week especially in winter. British schoolboys then were notorious for being unkempt and dirty. Only a wipe down with a warm wet towel at the end of each day was required. Even comics such as *The Dandy* and *Beano* made fun of dirty schoolboys by depicting potatoes growing from the backs of their ears (because there was always a thick layer of accumulated grime there).

In the first apartment we rented in 1964, we had to use the common bathroom in the corridor. It was a shared facility for that floor's three or four residents. In winter it was freezing cold. There was a coil heater attached to the wall, but you had to put some coins into a meter box to activate it. It was dismal. No coins, no heater.

Moreover, in order to take a bath, my mum would have to clean off the side layer of grime that had been left by the previous user before filling the tub with hot water. There were no showers back then. The water in the tub would initially be too hot to get in, and then, a few minutes later, would be just the right temperature for barely a few minutes and then start to cool rapidly.

Bathing was an art. You had to time it just right. ■

“The main bathroom had a toilet, a sink and a big bathtub. It also had the occasional cockroach, which would make me scream the house down.”

Admittedly, it was hot back then because cars had no air conditioners and most houses only had them in the bedrooms, if at all.

Only taxis had a small swivelling fan attached to their dashboard.

As passengers we would compete with each other to get a whiff of the cool air whenever the fan turned in our direction. Grandpa's old Ford Cortina did not even have a fan, much less an air-con, and I used to carry a stiff piece of cardboard to direct the air into the back seat where I always sat. Once, the cardboard flew out of my hands and I saw it spiralling into the distance as the car sped forward. After every journey, our shirts would be plastered to our backs because we would sweat so much. Grandma always kept spare handkerchiefs in her bag, which she would stuff down the back of my shirt to keep my back dry.

the bathroom for the umpteenth time that day to bathe and cool down.

Each time was a bit of a torture as I dislike bathing with cold water, and the water heater that supplied both my grandparents' bathroom and the main one I used had long ceased to function while we were away in London: Grandpa didn't see a need to have it repaired as he liked cold baths. The main bathroom had a toilet, a sink and a big bathtub. It also had the occasional cockroach, which would make me scream the house down as I tried to flush it back into the drain hole from where it came.

We never used the bathtub because part of the enamel had worn off to expose the corrosion of the cast iron, so I would fill the sink with water and scoop it over me just like my grandparents did.

After the bath, grandma

Taurus

Apr 21 – May 21

Taurus is stable, conservative and sensual. The sign values a comfortable, safe and unchanging environment, and likes to hold on to the past. Taurus is down-to-earth and practical, and is also one of the most productive signs. Typically they make good singers, but they may also be potters, sculptors and gardeners.



➔ If it's your birthday (For week starting Apr 18)

The future is yours. If you should consider cancelling any social engagements, give yourself time to think again. What seemed like a waste of time will once again look like a welcome opportunity. Come to think of it, the next year could bring a number of new and unusual individuals into your life.



libra

[sept 24 – oct 23]

Family members and work colleagues both have good advice for you, and you must listen to other people very carefully, for they understand you better than you think.



scorpio

[oct 24 – nov 22]

Your stars are moving this way and that with great enthusiasm. It's certainly a time to keep busy. Obviously, those of you at work will be stretched.



sagittarius

[nov 23 – dec 22]

It's a fine time for creative ventures, and all sporting activities should be successful — or, at least, satisfying! Within the family, children should take first place, probably because they have something to teach adults about living!



capricorn

[dec 23 – jan 20]

Home and family affairs will intervene, even for those of you who had different ideas. The best careers seem to be those related to domesticity, like estate agent, builder or cleaner!



aquarius

[jan 21 – feb 19]

Collaboration and co-operation constitute your celestial theme for the week. It's a very useful time to share your ideas with others, especially concerning home arrangements and how they do or don't suit you.



pisces

[feb 20 – mar 20]

It's a changeable week, to be sure. You could get off to an emotional start, with deep feelings stirring just below the surface. Yet, events will soon show you that you have to deal with life's necessities — and fast. 🐟



aries

[mar 21 – apr 20]

You should have a laid-back start to the week, before life grows livelier, day by day. If you are propelled into serious practical tasks, take things very slowly to avoid a muddle.



taurus

[apr 21 – may 21]

Various challenges lie ahead, and you are assisted by rising energy levels. You should come forward and seize the initiative at home, even though you may have doubts about taking a risk which exposes your emotions.



gemini

[may 22 – june 21]

One very important development in your chart now finds you in a mood to change your mind. If you get an inkling that one arrangement is not for the best, make alternative plans now.



cancer

[june 22 – july 23]

It's a useful moment for ambitious Crabs, so if you are pursuing either an important professional goal, go for it now. When folk come to your aid, make sure you help them out as well.



leo

[july 24 – aug 23]

Mercury, which represents your thought processes, and has been making it easier to put your ideas across, is about to start behaving strangely. You may begin to question all those taboos you've taken for granted for so long.



virgo

[aug 24 – sept 23]

Money matters rise, and financial plans should take first place. You should allow for increased intensity in intimate relationships, but don't blame others if you're not satisfied.



WHERE TO EAT NEXT

Check out these dining options at **Orchard Central**. If you live and breathe all things *kawaii*, be sure to visit Pompompurin Café at #04-08 which opens on Monday (Apr 18). Named after the Sanrio character, this is the Japanese café's first foray into Southeast Asia. With a high ceiling, floor-to-ceiling windows and foliage, the café boasts a clean and 'green' interior (inspired by Singapore's Garden City reputation). Customers can choose from a variety of main dishes (like Mushroom & Bacon Carbonara which comes with a free Pompompurin mug) and set meals, complemented by colourful desserts and beverages. How best to round up your meal experience here? Bring home some Pompompurin-themed merchandise.



Taco Rice in a Cup of Friendship



Mango Parfait

For Japanese-inspired fusion dishes, head to

Tanuki Raw

(#04-01) which

has just reopened. Menu choices include the restaurant's signature Truffle Yakiniku Donburi, new rice bowls, Negitoto Herumetto (homemade crunchy seaweed taco shells stuffed with spicy fatty tuna, avocado, tomato, onions and lettuce), Salted Duck Egg Char Siew Donburi, and Fat Samurai (think Chicago-style deep dish pizza with duck confit, bacon, prawn, brie, balsamic okonomiyaki sauce and more). Visit www.orchardcentral.com.sg for more info.

Negitoto Herumetto



Salted Duck Egg Char Siew Donburi



Voyager of the Seas



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Right: Mr Churro



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 New stores have been popping up lately at **Tampines Mall**. Weston Corp (#02-17A), a multi-brand store that's stocked with merchandise for football fans, offers jerseys, football fashion apparel, soccer boots and accessories. Expect to find brands including Adidas, Nike and Puma. After shopping, treat yourself to a snack from Mr Churro (#B1-K16), an artisanal churros kiosk from Korea, which makes its version of the popular Spanish confection daily from scratch. Must-tries include Ice Cream Churro with a choice of banana milk or vanilla soft serve (\$6.50), Nutty Churro with almonds and roasted peanuts (\$5.90) and the classic Original Churro with cinnamon sugar (\$4.50). Visit www.tampinesmall.com.sg for more info.

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THEATRE

The Vortex by Noel Coward

This classic play produced by the British Theatre Playhouse stars legendary Hollywood star, Jane Seymour. Directed by Bob Thomson, it features London 1920's high society with all its virtues and vices. It plays out in the elegant home of glamorous socialite Florence Lancaster. But all is not as it seems and a brewing storm threatens to engulf the Lancaster family. Also stars Alex Spinney, Arthur Bostrom and Tracy Brabin. (Rating: some mature content).

Apr 28-May 14. Tue-Sun, 8pm; extra 4pm show on weekends. No show Apr 29. Raffles Hotel, Jubilee Hall. Tix: \$115-\$155 from Sistic*. www.britishtheatreplayhouse.com



THEATRE

The Truth About Lying

The Finger Players presents a confessional piece featuring the voices of young acting professionals and theatre veterans such as Lim Kay Siu, Neo Swee Lin, Janice Koh and Lim Yu Beng, shedding light on the dedication, insecurities and sacrifices of theatre professionals. Performed by Chanel Chan, Shafiqah Efandi and Mohammed Shafie. (Rating: some mature content and coarse language)

Apr 21-24. Thur-Fri, 8pm; Sat 3pm, 8pm; Sun, 3pm. Drama Centre Black Box, National Library Building. Tix: \$35 from Sistic*.

Madagascar "Live"!

Based on the blockbuster DreamWorks film, this "live" theatre show follows Alex the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Melman the Giraffe and Gloria the Hippo on a wild adventure as they escape from Central Park Zoo and enter the madcap world of

King Julien's *Madagascar*. Presented by Base Entertainment Asia.

Apr 21-24. Thur-Fri, 6pm; Sat-Sun, 11am, 2.30pm, 6pm. Grand Theatre, Marina Bay Sands. Tix: \$40-\$130 from Marina Bay Sands ticketing portal & Sistic*.

Singapore Comedy Fringe 2016

Comedy Club Asia presents a stellar line-up of some of the best international comedic acts including

Paul Ogata (US), Pete Johansson (Canada), Matt Kirshen (UK), Harith Iskander (Malaysia) and other up-and-coming comics from the region. (Rating: 18 and above)

Apr 26-30. Various times. SOTA (School of the Arts) Drama Theatre, School of the Arts, 1 Zubir Said Drive. Tix: \$28-\$58 from Sistic*. www.sgcomedy-fringe.com

Dark Room

Edith Podesta's play follows the lives of male inmates housed in the same cell and charts their journey from pre-trial to imprisonment to reintegration into society.

Apr 28-May 1. Thur-Fri, 8pm; Sat, 3pm, 8pm; Sun, 3pm. Esplanade Theatre Studio. Tix: \$35 from Sistic*. www.esplanade.com

The Old Man

This Chinese drama from the Arts Theatre of Singapore follows three young streetwalkers in Singapore's red-light district



Shakespeare in the Park: Romeo & Juliet

Under internationally renowned director Daniel Slater, the Singapore Repertory Theatre presents Shakespeare's most well-loved play under the stars, in celebration of his 400th death anniversary this year. Thomas Pang and Cheryl Tan star as the young couple in this tragic love story.

Apr 27-May 22. 7.30pm. Fort Canning Park. Tix: \$40-\$108 from Sistic*. www.srt.com.sg

THEATRE

and an old retiree, played by veteran artiste Marcus Chin, who falls in love with one of them. In Mandarin. (Rating: 18 and above)

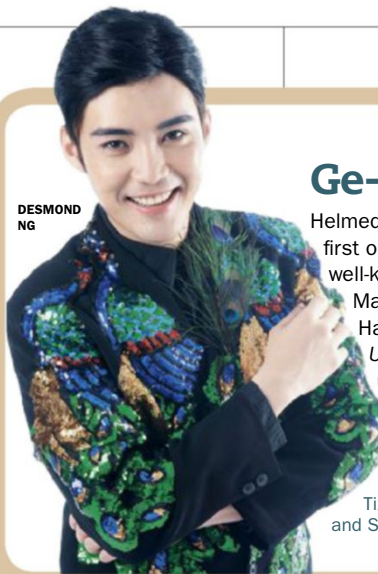
Apr 22–24. 8pm. Victoria Theatre. Tix: \$30–\$60 from Sistic*. www.artstheatre.com.sg

All About My Mother

You know the parent you swore you'd never become, but inevitably morph into as you grow older? Jemima Yong's play touches on that and explores a conflicted relationship with the archetype matriarch, conceived from a conversation between a granddaughter and a grandfather.

Apr 22–23. 8pm. Esplanade Theatre Studio. Free. Register at www.esplanade.com

DESMOND NG



Ge-Tai The Musical

Helmed by director Jalyan Han, Resorts World Sentosa's first original Chinese theatre production brings together well-known getai performers and veterans including Marcus Chin, Chen Ming Pei, Aaron Tan, Alan Phua, Hao Hao and Mediagroup's *Getai Challenge: The Ultimate Battle* champion Desmond Ng, with uplifting music and elaborate costumes. Also featuring guest performers Zhuang Xue Zhong, Sakura Teng and more.

Till May 29. Fri–Sun, 8pm; extra 3pm show on weekends. Resorts World Theatre, Resorts World Sentosa. Tix: \$38–\$98 from Resorts World Sentosa ticketing portal and Sistic*. www.rwsentosa.com

Drunken Prawn

The Young People's Performing Arts Ensemble presents this award-winning short play, written by local playwright Desmond Sim, about a typical Singaporean

family's relationships and problems. In Mandarin.

Apr 22–23. 8pm. Drama Centre Theatre, National Library Building. Tix: \$25–\$27 from Sistic*. www.yppae.org

A Question Mark for History

Written and directed by Cultural Medallion recipient Han Lao Da, this adaptation of *It Could Have Been*, a 2015 co-production by Sin Feng Xiangsheng Society and Esplanade, explores Singapore history with humour and sarcasm. In Mandarin.

Apr 22. 8pm. Esplanade Recital Studio. Tix: \$25 from Sistic*. www.esplanade.com

The Rainbow Fish

Directed by Brian Seward, I Theatre presents a musical based on Marcus Pfister's award-winning storybook about humility, teamwork and friendship for audiences both young and old.

Apr 26–May 15. Mon–Fri, 10am; Sat–Sun, 10.30am, 2.30pm. Drama Centre Theatre, National Library Building. Tix: \$32 from Sistic*. www.itheatre.org

It's a Wonderful Life

Evolve Arts presents a theatrical adaptation of Frank Capra's well-loved screenplay about a man who learns the importance of his existence with the help of a second class angel.

Apr 21–22. 8pm. The Substation Theatre. Tix: \$25 from <http://evolveiawl.peatix.com>. www.substation.org

Experiential Play: The Greatest Treasure in the World

Held in conjunction with the Treasures of the World exhibition, join new and veteran actors on an imaginary passage through time. Created by theatre veteran Peggy Ferroa, it features the curious Portuguese sailor on his quest for

MUSIC

Jamie Lawson “Live” In Singapore

The first artist signed to Ed Sheeran's Gingerbread Man Record Label topped the UK charts with his first release, 'Wasn't Expecting That'. The British acoustic artist has since performed alongside Ed Sheeran, One Direction and Damien Rice.

Apr 27. 8pm. University Cultural Centre Theatre, NUS. Tix: \$108–\$138 from Sistic*. www.lamcproductions.com



treasure in this interactive show with lots of audience participation.

Apr 28-30. 7.30pm, 9pm. Special Exhibition Galleries, National Museum of Singapore. Admission: \$38 from Sistic*. www.nationalmuseum.sg

Hanuman: The Superhero Monkey

Singapore Repertory Theatre's The Little Company presents this original multimedia theatre show merging cartoon, film, musical and physical theatre, created in collaboration with the UK's Imitating the Dog. Adapted from the *Ramayana*, the epic tale follows the journey of Hanuman into a land of myth, mystery and adventure.

Till Apr 30. Tue-Fri, 10am; Sat-Sun, 11am, 2pm. KC Arts Centre - Home of SRT, 20 Merbau Road. Tix: \$25-\$48 from Sistic*. www.srt.com.sg

MUSIC

Tame Impala "Live" in Singapore

The Australian psychedelic rock group started out as a humble home recording project and has since gained mainstream appeal with its multi-award winning albums *Innerspeaker* and *Lonerism*, as well as from playing at famous festivals such as Coachella and Glastonbury.

Apr 21. 8pm. The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green. Tix: \$68-\$148 from Sistic*.

Singapore Symphony Orchestra

► Gala: Bizet's *Carmen*. Music director Lan Shui directs the concert version of Bizet's famous opera 'Carmen', one of his most

famous works and one of the most frequently performed operas around the world.

Apr 22-23. 7.30pm. Esplanade Concert Hall. Tix: \$22-98.

► An Enchanted Evening with Alexander and Masako. Violinists Alexander Souptel and Masako Suzuki White, together with their guests, perform fun duets, including Bachs 'Double Violin Concerto in D minor' and Paganini's 'Caprice No. 24'.

Apr 28. 7.30pm. Victoria Concert Hall. Tix: \$20.

Tix from Sistic*. www.sso.org.sg

Virtuosos of Chinese Music

In collaboration with Esplanade, the Ding Yi Music Company presents three celebrated Chinese musicians — dizi expert Zhang Wei Liang, guzheng performer Zhou Wang and veteran erhu performer Xue Ke performing Gu Guan Ren's 'Flavours of Jiangnan'.

Apr 24. 5pm. Esplanade Concert Hall. Tix: \$25 from Sistic*. www.esplanade.com

Arijit Singh "Live" in Symphony Orchestra

India's biggest musical heart-throb performs his soulful romantic hits such as 'Tum Hi Ho' and 'Muskurane Ki Wajah' with The Grand Symphony Orchestra.

Apr 23. 7.30pm. The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green. Tix: \$48-\$298 from Sistic*.

Enchanting Evening 5

Featuring The Chamber Musicians, a group of professionally trained musicians including a cellist, violinist, vocalist and pianists. Repertoire includes Anton Dvorak's 'Humoreske' and William Gillock's 'Champagne Toccata'.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

APR

Superstars of Ballet

Featuring the top 12 principal ballet dancers in the world from Paris Opera Ballet, English National Ballet, American Ballet Theatre of New York. Witness acclaimed dancers such as Daniil Simkin, Laurretta Summerscales and Dinu Tamazlacaru performing highlights from celebrated French ballets.

Apr 29-May 1. Fri, 8pm; Sat & Sun, 2pm, 7.30pm. Grand Theatre, Marina Bay Sands. Tix: \$65-\$205 from Marina Bay Sands ticketing portal and Sistic*.

MAY

The Three Degrees "Live" in Concert

Known most affectionately for their famous hit song 'When Will I See You Again', the American vocal group has been one of the longest lasting female groups in history, with a career spanning over four decades. Catch them performing from their impressive list of hit songs from the '60s to the '90s.

May 2. 7.30pm. Esplanade Concert Hall. Tix: \$38-\$128 from Marina Bay Sands ticketing portal and Sistic*.

Summer Night with Olivia Newton John

With a career spanning over five decades, the English-born Australian singer is a four-time Grammy Award-winner famous for hits like 'Let Me Be There', 'Physical' and her starring role

alongside John Travolta in *Grease*.

May 4. 8pm. Grand Theatre, Marina Bay Sands. Tix: \$88-\$238 from Marina Bay Sands ticketing portal and Sistic*.

The Illusionists

This Broadway hit features a new cast and show, starring seven of the world's greatest magicians. Join the Trickster, Clairvoyants, Escapologist, Weapon Master, Inventor and Manipulator as they perform all-new tricks, death-defying stunts and awe-inspiring acts in a show that has broken multiple box office records since its Broadway debut last year.

May 6-15. Wed-Fri, 7.30pm; Sat, 2pm, 7.30pm; Sun, 1pm, 6pm. Sands Theatre, Marina Bay Sands. Tix: \$55-\$165 from Marina Bay Sands ticketing portal & Sistic*.

Hong Kong 4 Divas Concert

This concert brings together four popular TV veteran actresses: Michelle Yim, Louise Lee, Nancy Sit and Susanna Kwan, known for their roles in countless dramas such as *A Kindred Spirit* and *Moonlight Resonance*. In Mandarin and Cantonese.

May 7. 8pm. Resorts World Ballroom, Resorts World Convention Centre. Tix: \$38-\$158 from Sistic*.

Chong Feng 14' Lo Da Yu 2016 Singapore Concert

Acclaimed Taiwanese singer-songwriter Lo Dayu performs his well-known compositions, including timeless classics written for Taiwanese singers such as Bobby Chen Sheng, Huang Shujun, Zhao Yonghua, Gao Mingjun and more.

May 7. 7.30pm. The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green. Tix: \$78-\$238 from Sistic*.

Of Monsters and Men

Since their 2011 quadruple-platinum smash hit 'Little Talks', the Icelandic quintet has seen the band's popularity soar, with appearances in festivals like Lollapalooza as well as on *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*. With their recent album release *Beneath The Skin*, expect a signature performance that blends authentic indie and alternative music.

May 10. 8pm. The Coliseum, Hard Rock Hotel Singapore, Resorts World Sentosa. Tix: \$99-\$190 from Sistic* & woahfest.com/#tickets.

Meenah and Cheenah

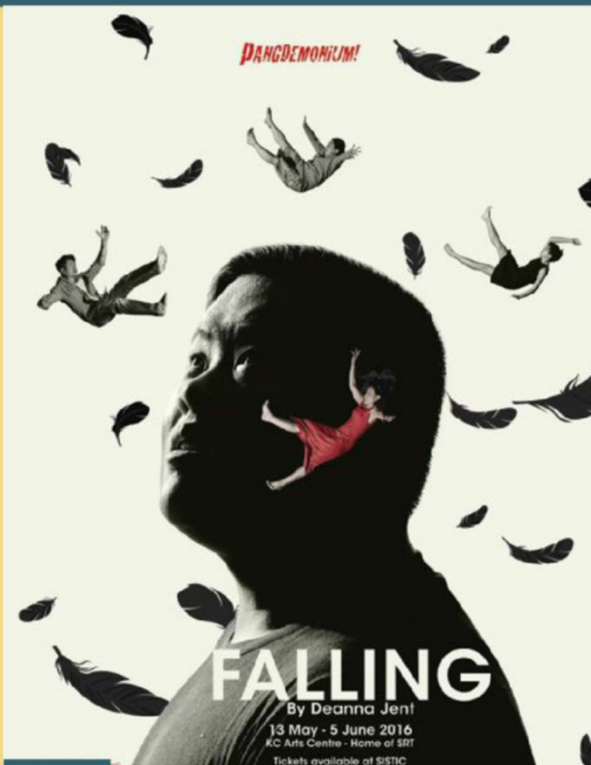
Catch two of Singapore's finest comic performers, Siti Khalijah Zainal and Judee Tan, in a series of sketches where they take on uniquely Singaporean characters, such as a pair of secondary school delinquents and a makcik and her ah soh best friend on their first budget airline trip out of Singapore. Presented by Dream Academy. In Mandarin, Malay and various dialects. Rating TBA.

May 11-22. Tue-Sat, 8pm. Sat-Sun, 4pm. Victoria Theatre. Tix: \$46-\$130 from Sistic*.

The Mad Phoenix Musical

Based on the tragic life story of prominent 20th century Cantonese opera playwright, Kong Yu Kau, nicknamed The Mad Phoenix for his eccentric personality. Directed by Clifton Ko, starring Tse Kwan Ho, Perry Chiu and Xin Jian Lang. In Cantonese with Chinese and English surtitles.

May 13-15. Fri-Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2pm. The Theatre at Mediacorp, 1 Stars Avenue. Tix: \$58-\$168 from Sistic*. www.vizpro.sg



MAY

Falling

Pangdemonium presents Deanna Jent's enlightening family drama that shatters unspeakable taboos, explores the lives of a misunderstood and marginalised minority in our society, and examines the meaning of unconditional love. Stars Tan Kheng Hua, Adrian Pang, Andrew Marko, and Neo Swee Lin. Rating TBA.

May 13-June 5. Tue-Fri, 8pm; Sat, 3pm, 8pm; Sun, 3pm. KC Arts Centre - Home of SRT. Tix: \$30-\$55 from Sistic*.

Super Japan: Japanese Festival of Arts

Esplanade presents a 10-day showcase of art and traditions unique to Japan, with special collaborations between Singapore and Japanese artists. Highlights include Kyary Pamyu Pamyu, who's dubbed "Japan's Lady Gaga", the Blue Note Tokyo All-Star Jazz Orchestra, and Meguri: *Teeming Sea, Tranquil Land* by the esteemed butoh dance company Sankai Juku.

May 13-22. Various times. Esplanade. Free & ticketed. www.esplanade.com

Little Mix: The Get Weird Tour

Since winning the 2011 series of *The X Factor*, the British girl group has sold over seven million records with two platinum albums *DNA* and *Salute*. Audiences can expect a lively performance of their hits 'Move', 'DNA' and 'Black Magic'.

May 23. 8pm. The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green. Tix: \$78-\$108 from Sistic*.

Les Misérables Musical

Cameron Mackintosh's acclaimed production of Boublil & Schönberg's legendary musical. Set against the backdrop of 19th-century revolutionary France, this blockbuster musical has been seen by over 70 million people worldwide in 42 countries. Based on Victor Hugo's classic novel, it is an epic story about the survival of the human spirit. Simon Gleeson plays the lead Jean Valjean and Earl Carpenter plays his lifelong antagonist Javert. The score includes memorable songs such as 'I Dreamed a Dream', 'On My Own', 'Bring Him Home' and many more.

May 31-July 17. Tue-Fri, 8pm; Sat, 2pm, 8pm; Sun, 1.30pm, 7pm. Esplanade Theatre. Tix: \$58-\$228 from Sistic*. www.vizpro.sg

JUNE

Nanta (Cookin')

A comical, non-verbal musical performance where five chefs transform knives and other kitchen utensils into musical instruments, as they pull together a surprise wedding banquet. The theatrical spectacular from South Korea has entertained over 8 million people around the world.

June 3-5. Fri, 8pm; Sat, 2pm, 8pm; Sun, 2pm. Resorts World Theatre, Resorts World Sentosa. Tix: \$48-\$118 from Sistic*.

Scandal Tour 2016 "Yellow"

The all-female Japanese rock band returns to promote their seventh album, including chart-topping hits such as 'Stamp!' and 'Sisters'.

June 4. 8pm. The Coliseum, Hard Rock Hotel, Resorts World Sentosa. Tix: \$98-\$398 from Sistic*. www.japanmusicfestival.asia/2016scandal

Damien Rice "Live" in Singapore

The Irish singer-songwriter who sang hits like 'The Blower's Daughter' and 'Cannonball', debuts in Singapore with his heart-rending lyricism and voice.

June 4. 8pm. The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green. Tix: \$68-\$148 from Sistic*.

Chuggington "Live"! The Great Rescue Adventure

This brand-new production by Life Like Touring and Ludorum features impressive trains with working features and movements that bring the *Chuggington* TV series' characters to life on stage. The two-act musical follows the adventures of three young trainees who learn positive values and new skills with help and support from a strong community of engines and people.

June 3-5. Fri, 6pm; Sat, 11am, 2.30pm, 6pm; Sun, 11am, 2.30pm. The Theatre at Mediacorp, 1 Stars Avenue. Tix: \$48-\$118 from Sistic*. www.vizpro.sg

Gentle Bones "Live" in Concert

A second night has been added to the artiste's debut concert. The local singer-songwriter recently made it to the Forbes' '30 Under 30' list for entertainment and sports personalities in Asia. His special guest on the second night is up-and-coming singer-songwriter Linying.

June 10-11 (June 10 sold out, new show added). 8.30pm. Esplanade Concert Hall. Tix: \$25-\$55 from Sistic*. www.facebook.com/gentlebonesmusic

The Painters: Hero 2016

An innovative non-verbal art performance combining "live" drawing, 3D video art

and action-packed dance and comedy, recreating popular stars like Michael Jackson, Bruce Lee and Superman.

June 10-11. Fri, 8pm; Sat, 2pm, 8pm. Resorts World Theatre, Resorts World Sentosa. Tix: \$48-\$118 from Sistic*.

The O.P.E.N.

Features performances, film screenings, exhibitions and talks to create buzz ahead of the Singapore International Festival of Arts (Aug 11-Sept 17). Highlights include the *Arabian Nights* trilogy by celebrated Portuguese auteur Miguel Gomes and a photo exhibition by Iranian photojournalist Newsha Tavakolian.

June 23-July 9. Various times & venues. Admission through purchase of The O.P.E.N. Pass (early bird 20% off till May 8) and registration at www.sifa.sg

GOT7 "Fly in Singapore"

Before the South Korean boy band's first world tour, their latest album *Flight Log: Departure* reached the top 10 in Hongkong, Singapore, Taiwan, and the US on the iTunes album charts. Specialised in the Korean trend of 'martial arts tricking', fans can expect an exciting concert from the band.

June 24. 8pm. Hall 601-604, Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre Level 6. Tix: \$128-\$288 from www.apactix.com.

BAP "Live" on Earth 2016 World Tour Singapore Awake

After a hiatus, the K-pop boy band returns to perform their hits and showcase their talent in various solo performances. The sextet will also perform songs from their upcoming album *Carnival*, yet to be performed outside Korea.

June 27. 7.30pm. The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green. Tix: \$89-\$259 from Sistic*.

JULY

Paul Wong World Tour: "Live" in Singapore

Hongkong rock band Beyond's former guitarist and lead-singer is a singer, songwriter, record producer and actor with 11 albums to his name. He performs with guest artiste Alex Chia from Singapore.

July 9. 8pm. The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green. Tix: \$88-\$238 from Sistic*.

AUG

Weezer

One of the most popular groups in the post-grunge alternative rock genre, known for infusing their music with a quirky sense of humour and endearing awkwardness. The band has sold over 17 million albums worldwide and recently released a new self-titled album also dubbed *The White Album*.

Aug 15. 8pm. Hall 601-604, Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre Level 6. Tix: \$108-\$168 from Sistic*.

Singapore International Festival of Arts 2016

Themed "Potentialities", the main festival season features various events and shows that investigate the future by examining potentialities. Highlights include *Hamlet/Collage*, Canadian stage director Robert Lepage's one-man show set in a suspended, spinning, open-sided cube; *Five Easy Pieces*, a powerful drama performed by children from Swiss director Milo

Rau; and Ron Arad's 720°, an outdoor video installation for film projections and a multimedia-theatre piece by Singapore's Brian Gothong Tan.

Aug 11-Sept 17. Various times & venues. Free & ticketed. Tix (early bird 20% off till 8 May) from Sistic*. www.sifa.sg

Kenny Rogers' Final World Tour: The Gambler's Last Deal

With more than 120 million albums sold worldwide over his seven-decade career, the multiple Grammy award-winner is one of the top ten best-selling male solo artistes of all time, with hits like 'Lucille' and 'Sweet Music Man'. Special guest Linda Davis joins him for his final world tour.

Aug 6. 8pm. The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre, 1 Vista Exchange Green. Tix: \$88-\$228 from Sistic*.

SEPT

"The Invincible" Jay Chou Concert Tour 2016

Backed by his talented band and stage dancers, the Mandopop king returns with an all-new stage production featuring new music and popular classics in his seventh world tour concert.

Sept 3. 8pm. National Stadium. Tix sold out. Visit www.sportshub.com.sg for updates.

Bring Me The Horizon "Live" in Singapore 2016

One of British metal music's most important bands. They've played sold-out shows at Wembley Arena and sold over 2 million albums worldwide, successfully breaking into the mainstream market.

Sept 27. 8pm. Fort Canning Park. Tix: \$108 from Sistic*.

Apr 24. 7.30pm. Esplanade Recital Studio. Tix: \$25. Contact Toh Meng Wan at 9632-1441 or tohmengwan@gmail.com for tix.

Soundtracks

Esplanade presents a series of free performances from various artists exploring familiar soundtracks from popular films and musicals, across multiple genres.

Till Apr 30. Various times & venues. Esplanade. Free. www.esplanade.com

VISUAL ARTS

National Gallery Singapore

The first museum in the world dedicated to Southeast Asian modern art. Explore its two permanent galleries and view artworks from Singapore and Southeast Asia in the 19th and 20th centuries.

► **Beauty Beyond Form.** A showcase of oil and ink works spanning 50 years of artist Wu Guanzhong's career that highlights his proficiency in both Chinese and Western art traditions.

Till May 3.

► **After The Rain.** Features Chua Ek Kay's ink paintings

that reflect the artist's affinity with water, from lotus ponds to rain and his varied interests in calligraphy, poetry, Chinese ink and Western art.

Till May 3.

► **Earth Work 1979.** Features original artworks and re-creations revisiting Tang Da Wu's seminal exhibition in 1980 that featured land art interventions, earth installations and mineral pigment drawings.

Till May 29.

Daily. Sun–Thur & PH, 10am–7pm; Fri–Sat & Eve of PH, 10am–10pm. National Gallery Singapore, 1 St Andrew's Road. Free admission for Singaporeans/PRs; \$20 for non-Singaporeans. www.nationalgallery.sg

Reframing Modernism

The gallery's first international collaboration, organised with Centre Pompidou, Paris, exploring how artists working in different global contexts approached modernism in the 20th century. Features over 200 iconic works by 48 modern artists from Southeast Asia and Europe including Picasso, Marc Chagall, Le Pho and Cheong Soo Pieng.

Till July 17. Sun–Thur & PH, 10am–7pm; Fri–Sat & Eve of PH, 10am–10pm. National Gallery Singapore, 1 St Andrew's Road. Tix: \$15 Singaporeans/PRs; \$25 non-Singaporeans. www.nationalgallery.sg

National Museum of Singapore

► **Treasures of the World** from the British Museum. Features some of the finest artefacts the world has to offer from the British Museum in London, with over 239 exceptional objects and treasures on display. With seven different sections that span Africa, Asia, Europe and Oceania, it encompasses more than two million years of culture and history.

Till May 29. Admission: \$14 adult, free for student/senior citizen; except for non-Singaporeans/PRs, \$20 & \$16 respectively.

► **Permanent Galleries.**

The 128-year-old museum reopened six permanent galleries with exhibitions that highlight key moments and provide insights into Singapore's history, from the Japanese occupation to the nation's first Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew's leadership. The Goh Seng Choo Gallery also features works from the William Farquhar Collection of Natural History Drawings.

Ongoing. Admission: \$10 adult, \$5 student/senior citizen. Free for Singaporeans/PRs.

Daily. 10am–7pm. National Museum of Singapore, 93 Stamford Road. www.national-museum.sg

Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum

Singapore's first and only permanent natural history exhibition, showcasing 2,000 specimens including near-complete sauropod fossils of three giant dinosaurs and the most recent addition — the skeleton of a 10.6m long sperm whale found in Singapore waters. Marvel at the historical collections of plants and animals in the Biodiversity Gallery and Heritage Gallery, featuring specimens from the original Raffles Museum.

Ongoing. 10am–7pm. Closed Mon, except PH. Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum, NUS, 2 Conservatory Drive. Tix: \$21 adult, \$13 child/student/senior citizen; local rates \$16, \$9 respectively. From Sistic*. www.nus.edu.sg

The Parliament in Singapore History Exhibition

A new permanent exhibition featuring more than 100 archival images and documents that present a narrative of the historic 200-year-old building now home to the Arts House, and chart the defining moments of Singapore's Parliament.

Ongoing. 10am–10pm. The Arts House, 1 Old Parliament Lane. Free. www.theartshouse.sg

Singapore Philatelic Museum

► **More Than Monkeys.** Celebrate the year of the Monkey with an exhibition exploring the world of monkeys through stamps and philatelic materials and discover things you never knew about these lovable animals, including trivia separating fact from fable.

Till Sept 25.

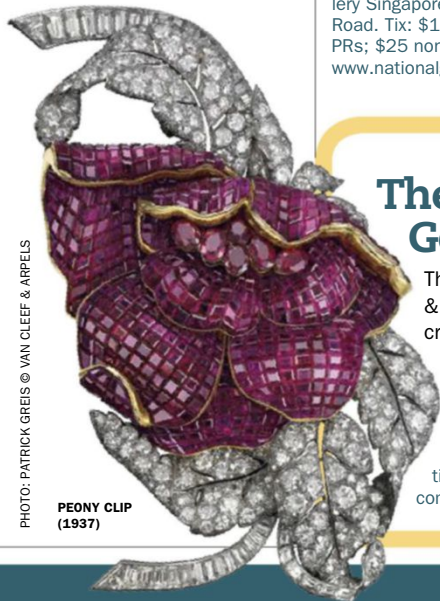
► **With Love from Snoopy,** Charlie Brown & the Peanuts Gang Exhibition. Join Snoopy and friends

VISUAL ARTS

The Art and Science of Gems

The largest heritage exhibition of Van Cleef & Arpels showcases over 400 stunning creations from the collection and 250 minerals from the French National Museum of Natural History Collection.

Apr 23–Aug 14. 10am–7pm. ArtScience Museum, Marina Bay Sands. Tix: \$17 adult, \$12.80 senior citizen, \$10 child; \$10, \$8.50, \$6 respectively for Singaporeans/PRs. www.marinabaysands.com/museum



PEONY CLIP
(1937)

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from the comic strip in sending love through letters, postcards and greeting cards.

Till April 30.

► The Singapore Journey: 50 Years Through Stamps. Journey through 50 years of our nation's growth, tribulations and achievements with specially selected stamps, philatelic materials and rarely seen original stamp artworks.

Till July 31.

Daily. 10am–7pm. Singapore Philatelic Museum, 23-B Coleman Street. Admission: \$6 adult, \$4 child. Free for Singaporeans/PRs. www.spm.org.sg

Currents: A Moving Landscape

Inspired by his deep-seated interest in his country's rapid urban transformation, environmental degradation and growing cultural tensions, contemporary Lao artist Sivilay Souvannasing showcases a series of abstract landscapes on canvas.

Till Aug 19. Tue, noon–2pm; Wed, 5pm–7pm. EY Gallery, One Raffles Quay, North Tower, Level 18. Call 6535-7777 for appointment.

5 Stars: Art Reflects on Peace, Justice, Equality, Democracy and Progress

Inspired by the Singapore flag, SAM brings together five art luminaries of the nation, including Ho Tzu Nyen and Zulkifl Mahmod, for a contemporary art project that revisits Singapore's founding values of democracy, peace, justice, progress, and equality.

Till July 10. 10am–7pm; except Fri, 10am–9pm. Singapore Art Museum, 71 Bras Basah Road. Admission: \$10 adult, \$5 student/senior citizen. Free for Singaporeans/PRs, and on Fri from 6pm. www.singaporeartmuseum.sg



THREE WISHES (2014) BY KEN + JULIA YONETANI

VISUAL ARTS

Constituent Concreteness

An exhibition exploring each artist's awareness of the significance of their respective medium, featuring works by Indonesian artist Aditya Novali, Japanese artists Ken and Julia Yonetani, local artist Luke Heng and more.

Till May 22. Tue–Sat, 11am–7pm; Sun, 11am–6pm. Mizuma Gallery, 22 Lock Road #01-34, Gillman Barracks. www.mizuma.sg

Future World: Where Art Meets Science

The museum marks its fifth anniversary with 15 new interactive digital art installations by award-winning Japanese art collective teamLab. Enjoy an immersive experience with nature, urban spaces and even outer space, from illuminated balls that respond to touch, to projections of flowers that change with the seasons.

Ongoing. 10am–7pm (last admission 6pm). ArtScience Museum, Marina Bay Sands. Tix: \$14 adult, \$11 senior, \$7 child; except for tourists, \$17, \$14, \$10 respectively. Tix from Marina Bay Sands ticketing portal. Visit www.marinabaysands.com/artsciencemuseum for updates.

As If We Had Never Said Goodbye

In the final of three debut solo exhibitions for female artists, art teacher Melissa Teo's street scenes are full of nostalgia

and longing in works featuring shophouses, art deco blocks and spiral staircases.

Till Apr 24. Mon–Sat, 2pm–8pm; Sun, noon–5pm. Utterly Art Exhibition Space, 20B Mosque Street (Level 3). Free. Call 9487-2006 for appointment. www.facebook.com/utterlyart

Steidl Deck: 1001 Books of Steidl

The region's first public library dedicated to photography features 1,600 premium photo books donated by renowned publisher Gerhard Steidl, including books by American documentary photographer Joel Sternfeld and fashion icon Karl Lagerfeld. The library remains open after the exhibition ends.

Till May 22. Tue–Sat, noon–7pm; Sun, noon–5pm. Closed Mon & PH. Deck, 120A Prinsep Street. Free.

Pressionism: Graffiti Masterpieces on Canvas

An exhibition presenting the history and prominence of the graffiti art movement with over 100 artworks from renowned graffiti artists such as Rammellzee, Koolhaas and Toxic, as well as works by local talents Antz, Zero and TraseOne.

Till June 25. 10am–6pm. Singapore Pinacothèque De Paris, Fort Canning Arts Centre, 5 Cox Terrace. All-access pass: \$28 adult, \$27 senior citizen, \$19 student/NS Men, \$9 child; except Singaporeans/PRs/workpass holders, \$21, \$18, \$14, free respectively. www.pinacothèque.com.sg

The River is Within Us

Singapore Tyler Print Institute presents the first solo exhibition of UK-based artist Shirazeh Houshiary in South-east Asia, where she tests the relevance of paper in the digital age. Her multimedia installation

Breath, a collateral event at the 55th Venice Biennale, will be featured alongside her latest works.

Till May 7. 10am–7pm; except Sat, 9am–6pm. Closed Sun & PH. STPI, 41 Robertson Quay. Free. www.stpi.com.sg

Rhapsody of Colours

Local artist Wu Xueli showcases an abstract series of over 30 oil paintings. Known for her visually arresting, dynamic and colourful abstract oil paintings, her works are visual expressions and representations of her modernistic spirit.

Till May 1. 11am–8pm. Public Art Space, Level 2, Pan Pacific Singapore, 7 Raffles Boulevard. Free.

Balestier: A Hundred Years

This exhibition covers the century-long history of the Balestier precinct, featuring the characteristics and development of the settlements in the area and highlighting how the different communities lived and interacted.

Till Apr 24. 10am–5pm. Closed Mon. Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall, 12 Tai Gin Road. Tix: \$4 adult, \$2 student/senior citizen. Free for Singaporeans/PRs. sysnmh.org.sg

Asian Civilisations Museum

The collections in the permanent galleries are now arranged to highlight the connections between Asian cultures through history, rather than by geography or culture. New galleries include The Scholar in Chinese Culture Gallery, Contemporary Project Gallery and Khoo Teck Puat Gallery which houses the Tang Shipwreck Collection.

Daily. Sat–Thur, 10am–7pm; Fri, 10am–9pm. Asian Civilisations Museum, 1 Empress Place. Admission: \$8 per person, free for Singaporeans/PRs. www.acm.org.sg

Chinatown Heritage Centre

Through brand new interactive offerings and daily character-guided tours, visitors journey through the precinct's evolution from its early days to its present day vibrancy.

Daily. 9am–8pm. Chinatown Heritage Centre, 48 Pagoda Street. Admission: \$15 adult, \$11 child. Free for Singaporeans/PRs aged 60 & above, till July 31. chinatownheritagecentre.com.sg

Madame Tussauds Singapore

The world-famous wax attraction features wax figures including those of the late former Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew and his wife, Kwa Geok Choo, Stefanie Sun, Zoe Tay, JJ

Lin, Brad Pitt, Angelina Jolie and a newly added one of Indian Prime Minister, Narendra Modi. Be sure to also catch the “live” actor shows at Images of Singapore LIVE and hop onto the Spirit of Singapore boat ride for a tour of Singapore's iconic sights.

Daily. 10am–6pm; except weekends & PH, 10am–7.30pm. Imbiah Lookout, Sentosa. Tix: \$39 adult, \$30 senior citizen, \$29 child. Island admission & transport charges apply. www.madametussauds.com/singapore

Alive Museum

The South Korean 3D visual-illusion museum features 85 hand-painted works and local-themed exhibits, as well as the museum's collaboration

with DreamWorks Animation, featuring the *Penguins of Madagascar*. Also check out a series of ‘Young @ Heart’ themed exhibits, based on the fields, forests and flowers in the fairy tale *Thumbelina*.

Daily. 10am–10pm (last admission 9pm). #03-372 Suntec City Mall (between Towers 3 & 4). Admission: \$25 adult, \$20 child. alivemuseum.sg

Trick Eye Museum

Undergoing a major revamp, the renowned 3-D museum from South Korea brings in brand new art exhibits and themed zones, along with the debut of the 4D concept for photo-loving visitors.

Daily. 10am–9pm (last admission 8pm). Waterfront at Resorts World Sentosa. Admission: \$25 adult, \$20 child/senior citizen. www.trickeye.com/singapore

FILM

National Theatre “Live”

Esplanade presents four acclaimed productions filmed in front of a “live” audience. The Shakespearean Classic *Hamlet* starring Benedict Cumberbatch; *Skylight* starring Carey Mulligan and Bill Nighy; *Man and Superman* starring Ralph Fiennes; and *A View from the Bridge* starring Mark Strong.

(*Skylight* and *A View from the Bridge* rated NC16) **Apr 21–24.** Various times. Esplanade Theatre. Tix: \$22, \$27 from Sistic*. www.ntlive.com

FLEA MARKETS

Everyday Folk Market

Browse unique artisanal works including original pieces by artists from the special needs community



HAMLET

and catch an art jamming session between local art collective Band of Doodlers and artists with disabilities.

Apr 23-24. 4pm-9pm. Enabling Village, 20 Lengkok Bahru. Free. www.enablingvillage.sg

Arts Market

Featuring an array of artisanal goods and handicrafts, plus eco-friendly products.

Apr 23-24. 3pm-9pm. Super-tree Groove, Gardens By The Bay. Free. www.fleawhere.com

Orchardtuchak!

Singapore's largest weekend day market with more than 100 stalls, selling everything from brand new clothing to pre-loved items.

Till Apr 24. Sat-Sun, 1pm-7pm. TripleOne Somerset, #01-10, 111 Somerset Road. Free. www.fleawhere.com

Sentosa Boardwalk Bazaar

Stalls at this bazaar hawk vintage and pre-loved apparel, handcrafted items, and nail art.

Sat. 4pm-11.30pm. **Sun.** 2pm-9.30pm. Sentosa Boardwalk. Free. Island admissions and car park charges apply. www.sentosa.com.sg/en/whats-on/events/current-events

Flea Party

Check out stalls selling pre-loved and new items including clothes, shoes, accessories and more.

Daily. 1pm-7pm. Lucky Plaza, Level 6. Free. www.forfleasake.com

FILM

Shakespeare Lives in Film

A showcase of six classic film adaptations to celebrate the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death.

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Affordable Art Fair 2016

The leading showcase for affordable contemporary art features works from new local and international talents from over 40 galleries, art tours and talks, a children's art studio, innovative art performances and live art demos.

Apr 22-24. Fri, noon-10pm; Sat, 11am-8pm; Sun, 11am-6pm. Admission: \$15 (\$18 door price); free for children under 16. F1 Pit Building. Tix and more info on www.affordableartfair.com/singapore

Featuring Laurence Olivier's Academy Award-winning performance as *Hamlet*, as well as Laurence Fishburne as *Othello* in the first major cinematic production of the work to cast an African-American in the title role.

Apr 21-24. Various times. Screening Room, The Arts House, 1 Old Parliament Lane. Tix: \$10 from www.theartshouse.sg

The Comedy Marathon: Gaumont Retrospective

To celebrate the 120th anniversary of French film company Gaumont, this film series features six films including *Me, Myself and Mum* directed by Guillaume Galienne and the French

spy movie series OSS117.

Apr 23-24. Various times. Alliance Française de Singapour, 1 Sarkies Road. Tix: \$11 from afsingapore.extranet-aec.com/products/view/13-movie_tickets. www.alliancefrancaise.org.sg

Italian Film Festival 2016

The 14th edition of the festival presents eight award-winning Italian films and three must-watch Italian classics, including *An Italian Name* by multiple award-winning director Francesca Archibugi, The Taviani Brothers' *Wondrous Boccaccio* and Nanni Moretti's latest work *My Mother*, featured at last year's Cannes Film Festival. Organised by the Italian Cultural Institute.

OTHERS

Till May 1. Various times. Golden Village Plaza Singapura. Tix: \$13 from www.gv.com.sg. www.iicsingapore.esteri.it

Mariage a Mendoza

Directed by Edouard Deluc, the film follows two brothers going on a trip to Argentina, to celebrate their cousin's wedding in Mendoza, where nothing goes as planned. (Rating: 18 and above)

Apr 22. 9pm. Alliance Française de Singapour, 1 Sarkies Road. Tix: \$9 from afsingapore.extranet-aec.com/products/view/13-movie_tickets. www.alliancefrancaise.org.sg

OTHERS

Marvel's Captain America: Civil War Blue Carpet Event

▶ Catch actors Chris Evans, Sebastian Stan, Anthony Mackie and Director Joe Russo in Singapore for the Southeast Asian premiere of Marvel's blockbuster film.

Apr 21. 5.45pm. Skating Rink, Marina Bay Sands. Free.

▶ Join the stars of the film

for the #TeamCap Lights and Fireworks Show, a Captain America-themed light up event on the bay.

Apr 22. 8pm. Helix Bridge and ArtScience Museum Outdoor Plaza, Marina Bay Sands. Free. Visit www.marinabaysands.com/entertainment for more info.

Voilah! 2016

The annual French festival returns with over 40 events. Highlights include *Luminéoles Ballet* featuring brightly illuminated flowers and coloured kites along Marina Bay; and a photo exhibition documenting transboundary rivers by Franck Voge. Organised by Institut Français Singapour and French Embassy.

Till May 31. Various times & venues. Free & Ticketed. www.voilah.sg

Singapore Maritime Week

► Memoirs of City Port Scenes.

An art exhibition featuring the five lighthouse paintings by renowned artist, Ong Kim Seng and other works by local artists and students.

Till Apr 22. 11am–9pm. Visual Art Centre, Dhoby Gaut Green.

► Our Maritime Singapore Stories. An interactive showcase of maritime technology. Visitors can “pilot” a ship, and take part in other fun family activities.

Till Apr 24. 11am–9pm. Central Atrium, Marina Square.

Daily. Free. www.smw.sg

Merlion Music Festival

Sentosa’s inaugural three-day outdoor music event celebrating street-style creative instruments blending Asian and Western sounds. The line-up includes one-man band Bryson Andres and Juzzie Smith.

Apr 22–24. 4pm–9pm. Merlion Plaza to Beach Plaza, Sentosa. Free. Island admission and car park charges apply. www.sentosa.com.sg

Fashion Steps Out 2016

An annual signature event of Orchard Road, the six-week fashion event features style workshops hosted by top stylists, fashion themed photography exhibitions and special deals and promotions.

Till May 8. Various times. Orchard Road. Visit www.orchardroad.org/fso for more info.

K-Live Sentosa

Experience a 30-minute HD virtual concert, featuring your favourite K-pop stars such as Wonder Girls, 2PM, GOT7 among others, in South-east Asia’s first dedicated K-pop holographic theatre.

Daily. Various times. K-Live

Sentosa, Resorts World Sentosa. Tix: \$39 from Sistic* or www.rwsentosa.com or K-Live Sentosa booth. www.rwsentosa.com/language/en-US/Homepage/Attractions/KliveSentosa

Universal Studios Singapore

The region’s only Universal Studios theme park features movie-themed attractions within seven zones, including the Canopy Flyer, which gives visitors a prehistoric bird’s eye view over the Jurassic Park section. Also, the 4-D film experience, *Far Far Away*, also takes over where the Oscar-winning movie *Shrek* left off with interactive elements like bumps, bounces and air blasts. *The Hollywood Dreams Parade* also features fan favourite characters that come to life in a procession across the park.

Daily. 10am–7pm (hours may extend on certain dates). Hollywood Dreams Parade on week-ends and selected holidays. Universal Studios Singapore, Resort World Sentosa. Single-day pass: \$74 adult, \$54 child, \$36 senior citizen (60 years and above). Visit www.rwsentosa.com for updates.

Singapore Botanic Gardens

The world’s third botanic gardens to be listed as a UNESCO World Heritage

Site and Singapore’s first, this 74-hectare garden has a history of almost 150 years. Enjoy a stroll through the National Orchid Garden, which houses over 1,000 species, or enjoy a concert by the scenic Symphony Lake.

Daily. 5am–midnight. Singapore Botanic Gardens, 1 Cluny Road. Admission is free, except for National Orchid Garden (8.30am–6pm): \$5 adult, \$1 student/senior citizen, free for children aged 12 & below. www.sbg.org.sg

The Big Furniture Fair

Features top-range local and imported furniture, furnishing products and services.

Apr 23–May 2. Noon–10pm. Singapore Expo Hall 7. Free. www.myhomeinternational.com.sg

Shopping Centre Events

► VivoCity. Channel your inner fashionista and show off your fashion creations with a series of events and contests at the mall. Style mavens Jessica Tham and Rachel Wong also share their fashion must-haves this season.

Till May 2. 10am–10pm. VivoCity, 1 Harbourfront Walk. Conditions apply. Visit www.vivocity.com.sg for more details. **I**

TICKETING VENUES

SISTIC*

Operating hours: 10am–8pm; Sun & PH: noon–8pm.

Phone bookings: 6348-5555 (only credit cards accepted)

Online: www.sistic.com.sg; www.facebook.com/SISTICsingapore. Also available on Sistic Mobile & iNETS mobile apps.

Ticketing Outlets ● 112 Katong ● 313@somerset ● Alexandra Retail Centre ● Alliance Francaise ●

Anchorpoint ● Bedok Mall ● Bishan Junction 8 ● Bugis Junction ● Bugis+ ● Bukit Panjang Plaza ● Capitol ● Chinatown Point ● City Square Mall ● Esplanade ● Hougang Mall ● IMM Building ● Ion Orchard ● JCube ● Jem ● Jurong Point Shopping Centre ● KC Arts Centre – Home of SRT ● Liang Court ● Lot One ● Marina Bay Link Mall ● Millenia Walk ● Nex ● Northpoint Shopping Centre ● POP@Central (Bras Basah) ● Parkway Parade ● Plaza Singapura Counter 2 ● Raffles City Shopping Centre ● Sembawang Shopping Centre ● Singapore Conference Hall ● Suntec City Mall ● Tampines 1 ●

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Online: www.facebook.com/eventclique

Mon–Sat, 9am–6pm; Sun, noon–6pm.

Phone bookings: 6602-9900 (only credit cards accepted)

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Operating hours: 10am–8pm; Sun & PH: noon–8pm.

Phone bookings: 3158-7888 (only credit cards accepted)

Online: www.sportshubtix.sg

Ticketing Outlets

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Discover the evolution of radio, take a walk through our DJ Hall of Fame, sign up for museum tours led by our DJs, and join us at *Radio Night at the Museum*. It's all happening from 22 April at the National Museum of Singapore. Details at HeritageFest.sg.



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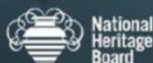
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| 24 APR | 2pm - 5pm | DJs Cai Weibin & Xie Jiafa (YES 933) |
| | 2pm - 5pm | DJs Cai Lilian, Renee Yongmei & Hong Shengan (LOVE 97.2FM) |
| 30 APR | 6pm - 9pm | Muttons with DJs Justin Ang & Vernon A (CLASS 95) |
| | 9pm - 12mn | DJs Ravi G & Shamini G (OLI 96.8FM) |
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Vying for Best Drama Serial:
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Tiger Mum, *Crescendo*,
118, *The Dream Makers 2*
and *The Journey: Our Homeland*.



STAR AWARDS 2016 PART 2

SUN|CH 8|7PM

LIVE!

It'll be interesting to see how first-time nominees Romeo Tan and Ya Hui fare against the vets in the Best Actor and Best Actress categories, respectively. Elsewhere, which sequel will take home the Best Drama Serial title, *The Dream Makers 2* or *The Journey: Our Homeland*? Lee Teng, Pornsak and Dennis Chew are again hosting, with guests including JJ Lin, Anthony Wong, Myolie Wu, homegrown acapella combo Vocaluptuous, and Malaysian hip-hop group Elecoldxhot. Simul-cast on Ch U and Toggle. Catch the *Post-show Party* at 10.30pm.

— DOUGLAS TSENG



APR 21 | THUR



THE ART OF MORE

NEW SERIES!

AXN | SONY CHANNEL CH 316 & STARHUB CH 510 | 8.50PM

Dennis Quaid and Kate Bosworth star in this drama set in the high-stakes world of New York auction houses. You had us at 'auction houses'.



RUSH HOUR

NEW SERIES!

CH 5 | 10PM

Cougar Town co-creator Bill Lawrence is behind this spin-off of the 1998 Jackie Chan-Chris Tucker movie about the unlikely partnership between a LA cop (Justin Hires) and a Hongkong detective (Jon Foo).

APR 22 | FRI

SCANDAL 5

STAR WORLD | SINGTEL TV CH 301 & STARHUB CH 501 | 9PM

It's flashback time as we find out how Jake (Scott Foley) first got involved with B6-13.

APR 23 | SAT

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE 41

COMEDY CENTRAL | SINGTEL TV CH 324, STARHUB CH 516 & TOGGLE CH 322 | 10PM

Former cast member Julia Louis-Dreyfus returns to host for the third time. You can also catch JLD in the new season of Veep on HBO (StarHub Ch 601), Mon, at 10.30am (encore: 10.30pm).



APR 24 | SUN

REBUILDING NEPAL

CHANNEL NEWSASIA | 8PM

Learn how the Nepalese cope with life a year after the devastating earthquake.

APR 25 | MON



GAME OF THRONES 6

NEW SEASON!

SAME DAY AS THE US

HBO | STARHUB CH 601 | 9AM & 9PM (ENCORE)

Forget about Daenerys and her dragons — we just want to know whether Jon Snow is alive or not!

SILICON VALLEY 3

NEW SEASON! SAME DAY AS THE US

HBO | STARHUB CH 601 | 10AM & 10PM (ENCORE)

Hendricks (Thomas Middleditch) adjusts to life as an employee in the company he created.

LUCHA UNDERGROUND

NEW SERIES!

KIX | SINGTEL TV CH 309 & STARHUB CH 518 | 9PM

Filmmaker Robert Rodriguez teams up with reality show czar Mark Burnett on this unscripted show about Lucadores or Mexican wrestlers.



CONTAINMENT

NEW SERIES!

FOX | SINGTEL TV CH 330 & STARHUB CH 505 | 9PM

From *The Vampire Diaries* co-creator Julie Plec comes this drama about a vast quarantine that happens following a mysterious and deadly epidemic outbreak in Atlanta. George Young plays a scientist searching for a cure.



APR 26 | TUE

LIFE HACKS

CH 8 | 8.30PM

Do you know how to repair scratches on wooden furniture? Hosts Kym Ng and Pornsak asks guests Quan Yifeng, Chen Hanwei and Bryan Wong for ideas.

APR 27 | WED

MYTHBUSTERS 10

DISCOVERY CHANNEL | SINGTEL TV CH 201 & STARHUB CH 422 | 10PM

Jamie and Adam test two viral video sensations: firing shrimp from a cannon and exploding a tomato smoothie. *Real* scientific, fellas.

APR 28 | THUR

ARROW 4

WARNERTV | SINGTEL TV CH 306 & STARHUB CH 515 | 9PM

A grief-stricken Captain Lance (Paul Blackthorne) asks the League of Assassins to resurrect his dead daughter (Katie Cassidy).

CHECKING IN WITH:

NANCY O'DELL

The *Entertainment Tonight* anchor tells us why the long-running show is still the best place for the lowdown from Hollywood.

8 DAYS: *Entertainment Tonight* turned 35 last year. Do you remember the first episode you saw?

NANCY O'DELL:

I remember being at home in South Carolina where I grew up, seeing [former host] Mary Hart, and watching all the entertainment news that they had, thinking, "That looks like so much fun and Mary Hart must have the greatest job in the entire world!" I remember it being a lot of fun and such an escape from school at that time.

You've been on the show since 2011. Is it as fun as you thought it was then?

For sure. [But] it's a lot more work than a lot of people realise. We are there early in the morning, looking at the stories happening in the entertainment world, and then you go into a meeting to plan the stories. When I have to cover a premiere or an awards show, there's a lot of studying involved, like getting to learn about celebrities, which ones are being nominated, their latest projects, what's going on in their world — you have to know a lot of information. But it's fun. Who's going to complain about having to go the Oscars or the Emmys for 20 years?

Talking Movies' Tom Brook said he had once mistaken one actor for another on the red carpet. Has that happened to you before?

It can be tough when the celebrities are new to the entertainment world. I've done live pre-shows and one of the toughest things is [recognising the celebrities'] spouses, who may be an actor or actress who isn't quite as well known, or maybe a producer, director or a writer on the show. I remember one year



Red alert: Nancy, seen here with Jennifer Lawrence, covering the red carpet at the 2014 Oscars.

after I talked to an actress [who was a nominee], her husband, who was also the producer of the show that was nominated, said, "Aren't you going to talk to

me too? I'm the producer of the show! I'm nominated as well!"

What's the secret to *ET*'s longevity, especially in the TMZ-era when there are many alternative entertainment news outlets?

[*ET*] was the first of its kind — there was no other show about entertainment news then. When you're the first one, you kind of [set] the gold standard [that] everybody is trying to copy. And that's why it will continue to be successful because it's got the reputation of being a [good] show. We notice on days — I'm really proud of saying it — when we see people actually turning to *ET* for big breaking news. Everybody still trusts us as a show to have the biggest scoop, the biggest interview, or have the latest facts. I feel like there's a big trust factor there because it's been around for so long. And we do it in a classy way. It's not degrading to the celebrities. If they go around doing something bad, we're going to report it, but it's still entertainment news and it's fun as well.

You cover entertainment for a living but what do you for R&R?

It's tough. You're constantly getting bombarded with the news and you know you need to know the information, so it is hard to tune out. But I have a wonderful family and the most adorable, precious kids. In fact, I'm at my daughter's tennis lesson right now, so that's [how I relax] — once I finish work, it becomes family time, and then I'm not thinking about all the celebrities and stuff. I'm able to shut down, come home and have a great time with my husband and kids. That's the way to kind of do it — shut the TV off for a minute and take a long, warm bath. ☺

Entertainment Tonight airs weekdays, RTL CBS Entertainment HD (Singtel TV Ch 318 & StarHub Ch 509), 8.30pm.



BRAVO to *Death is Our Business* (Sat, Ch 5; Catch-up TV on Toggle.sg) for giving us a rare peek into the world of undertakers. In the docu-series, we follow veteran mortician Roland

Tay going about his morbid trade, which he runs with his daughter. Not only do we learn about embalming and the logistics behind transporting a corpse across borders (you'd need a Coffin Import/Export Permit for that), we also find out about the emotional strain undertakers endure on the job. In one ep, Roland has to inform a family that their loved one has passed. "My heart is beating fast," says Roland. "I don't have a choice...Even if they scold me, I have to [do] it." It's gut-wrenching moments like these that make this fascinating show hard to watch.

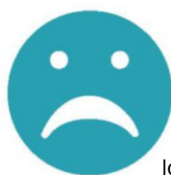


BRAVO to Andie Chen and Kate Pang for hosting the new season of *Mars Vs Venus* (Mon, Ch U; Catch-up TV on Toggle.sg). While we relish the banter between the couple and

their celeb guests on marital issues, the topics can get a little boring at times. Good thing Andie and Kate are there to alleviate tedium with their trademark zaniness. In one instance, when guest Quan Yifeng muses how "women are aural beings who like to hear things like 'I love you' while men are more touchy-feely creatures," Kate begins to fondle Andie with a come-hither look that might make some folks uncomfortable. Meanwhile, Andie plays along with a rousing "Oh, yes, I love it!" Oh, behave, you two.



BRAVO to *The Grinder* (Fri, Fox, Singtel TV Ch 330 & StarHub Ch 505), the sitcom starring *Parks and Recreation*'s Rob Lowe as an actor who returns to his hometown after his hit TV legal drama ended. There, he takes what he learns from his old show and reinvents himself as a lawyer, by working alongside his brother (*The Wonder Years*' Fred Savage) — a real attorney — at their family firm. Savage, in his first TV role in ages, is brilliant as the uptight sibling, going head-to-head with his charming brother (hey, it's Rob Lowe) who is always stealing his limelight. Their incessant squabbles, in and out of the courtroom, are a hoot.



BOO to *Flaked* (Netflix), the laugh-free series starring Will Arnett as a furniture-store owner and recovering alcoholic going through a midlife crisis. We love Arnett (he's the voice of Lego

Batman, for Pete's sake) and we love that he's teamed up with his *Arrested Development* creator Mitchell Hurwitz, but this vanity project of theirs — a 'serio-comedy', a la *Californication* — is a listless misfire from the get-go, too much 'serio', too little comedy. What if we approached it as a straightforward drama then? No noticeable improvement either — it's just as painfully dull. **D**



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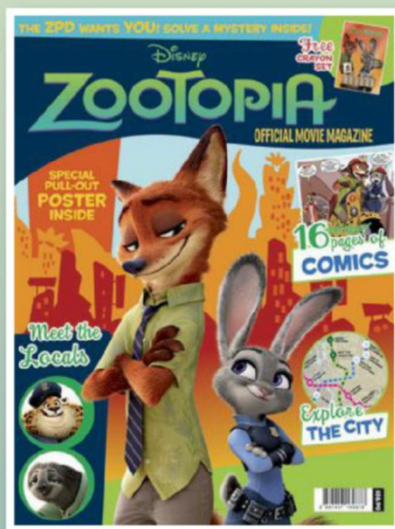
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TV LISTINGS

THUR APR 21

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6.00AM My Big Big Friend 2 (HD) **6.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **7.00** Club M.A.G.I.C 2 **7.30** Chuggington 4 **8.00** My Big Big Friend 2 **8.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **9.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) (HD) **10.00** JML TV Home Shopping (paid presentation) **11.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **12.00PM** Martha Bakes 3 (HD) **12.30** Jamie's 15 Minute Meals **1.00** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **1.30** Tanglin (PG) (HD) **2.00** Moulmein High 2 **2.30** Heroes (PG) (HD) **3.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) **4.00** Under One Roof 4 **4.30** Chef for Hire **5.00** Guy's Grocery Games (HD)

6.00 The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **7.00** Wheel Of Fortune (HD) **7.30** The Flash 2 (PG: action violence) **[Season Finale!]** **8.30** Tanglin (HD) **9.00** News 5 (HD) **9.30** Talking Point (HD) **10.00** Movie: Rush Hour **[Season Premiere!]** **11.00** Burn Notice 7 (PG)

12.00AM Tanglin (HD) **12.30** Hawaii Five-O V (HD) (PG: action violence) (HD) **1.30** Bones 9 (PG13: graphic visuals) **2.30** Martha Bakes 3 (HD) **3.00** Jamie's 15 Minute Meals **3.30** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 **4.30** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **5.00AM** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG)

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6.00AM Golden Age Talentime 2016 (HD) **7.00** Where The Queue Starts 2 **7.30** Hello Singapore Highlights **8.00** Beyond Words (PG) **8.30** **9.00** Morning Express **9.30** Peace and Prosperity (PG) **10.00** Money Week (HD) **10.30** Unique Flavour (PG) **12.30PM** Body SOS 4 **1.00** News 8 at One (HD) **1.30** Life Hacks **2.00** Pleasant Goat and Big Big Wolf 5 **2.30** The Romance of the Condor Heroes (PG) **3.30** Silver Carnival **4.30** A Place Called Home (PG) **5.30** Super Senior (PG) (HD)

6.30 Hello Singapore (HD) **7.30** Peace and Prosperity (PG) **8.00** Super Combat Teams (HD) **9.00** Beyond Words (PG) **10.00** News Tonight (HD) **10.30** Focus **11.00** Schemes of a Beauty (PG: some violence)

12.00AM First Wives Club (PG13: mature themes) **1.00** Star Chef **2.00** Strange Encounters 2 **4.00AM** Life (PG)

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11.00AM Home Shopping (infomercial) **3.00PM** Chinese Dream 4 **4.30** Miss Korea **5.00** Here Comes Mr Oh (PG)

6.00 Triumph In The Skies 2 (PG: some sexual references) **7.00** Rosy Lovers (PG) **9.00** Food to Go **10.00** The Borderline (PG) **11.00** News Tonight **11.30** Food to Go

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6.00 Egyxos (HD) **6.30** My Super Secret H.Q. **7.00** My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic 5 **7.30** The Amazing World of Gumball 3 **8.00** Annedroids (HD) **8.30** Super4orce **9.00** Sam Fox Extreme Adventures **9.30** The Art Bus **10.00** Shakespeare in Italy (HD) **11.00** Food Safari 4

12.00AM Close

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3.00PM Asku Isku 2 **3.30** Indraiya Virunthu **4.00** Tharmar Yutham **4.30** Akalya **5.00** Ullaasam **5.30** Chutti Ulagam

6.00 12/24 Karol Baug (Hindi) **7.00** Luckka Kickka **7.30** Inside Changi (HD) **8.30** Tamil Seithi **9.00** Kathaiyalla Vaazhkai (HD)

10.00 Kalyanam (HD) **10.30** Vallamai Tharayo (HD) **11.00** Nagal **11.30** Ethiroli 13 (HD)

12.00AM Tamil Seithi **12.30AM** Close

3.00PM Juxbox Ekspres 4.00

Teduhun Kasih **5.00** Alam Maya (HD)

6.00 Ema Emyliana 2 (HD) **6.30** Sedap 2 **7.00** Fajar di Bukhara (HD) **8.00** Berita (HD) **8.30** Swap Kerja (HD) **9.30** Antidot (HD) **10.30** Jom Kayuh (HD) **11.00** Bujang 40 (HD) **11.30** Berita (HD)

12.00AM Close

CHANNEL NEWSASIA

6.00AM News Pulse **7.00** First Look Asia **9.00** Asia Business First **9.30** Headline News/World View **10.00** News Now **10.30** Headline News/Fortunes from Fun (HD) **11.00** News Now **11.30** Headline News/Love, Asia (HD) **12.00PM** News Now **12.30** Headline News/First Look Encore **1.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/Between The Lines **2.00** News Now **2.30** Headline News/Fortunes from Fun (HD) **3.00** News Now **3.30** Headline News/World View **4.00** News Now **4.30** Headline News/The Successors 4 (HD) **5.00** News Now **5.30** Headline News/First Look Encore

6.00 Headline News/Singapore Update/Perspectives 5 (HD) **7.00** Primetime Asia **8.00** Headline News/Insight Conversation With 11 **9.00** Primetime World **9.30** Headline News/First Hand Account **10.00** Singapore Tonight **11.00** Headline News/Undercover Asia 3 (HD)

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6.00AM My Big Big Friend 2 (HD) **6.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **7.00** Club M.A.G.I.C 2 **7.30** Chuggington 4 **8.00** My Big Big Friend 2 **8.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **9.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) (HD) **10.00** America's Supernanny 2 (PG) **11.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **12.00PM** Martha Bakes 3 (HD) **12.30** Jamie's 15 Minute Meals **1.00** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **1.30** Tanglin (HD) **2.00** Moulmein High 2 **2.30** Talking Point (HD) **3.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) **4.00** Under One Roof 4 **4.30** Chef for Hire **5.00** NOT the 5 Show (PG) (HD)



6.00 The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **7.00** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **7.30** Supergirl (PG: action violence) (HD) **8.30** Tanglin (HD) **9.00** News 5 (HD) **9.30** On the Red Dot (HD) **10.00** Movie: The Shannara Chronicles (HD) **11.00** Fit for Fashion 2 (HD) (paid presentation)

12.00AM Tanglin (HD) **12.30** America's Next Top Model 21 (PG) (HD) **1.30** Bones 9 (PG: graphic visuals) (HD) **2.30** Martha Bakes 3 **3.00** Jamie's 15 Minute Meals **3.30** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (PG) **4.15** Just for Laughs Gags **4.30** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **5.00AM** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG)

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6.00AM School Days 3 **6.30** Rootsmania **7.00** Stock Exchange **7.30** Hello Singapore Highlights (HD) **8.00** Beyond Words (PG) **9.00** Morning Express (HD) **9.30** Peace & Prosperity (PG) **10.00** Focus **10.30** The Scholar's Matchmaker **12.00PM** Snack Attack! **12.30** Twilight Years **1.00** News 8 at One (HD) **1.30** DIY My Home (HD) **2.00** Magic Institute **2.30** The Romance of the Condor Heroes (PG) **3.30** Golden Age Talentime 2016 (HD) **4.30** A Place Called Home (PG) **5.30** Super Senior (PG)





6.30 Hello Singapore (HD) **7.30** Peace & Prosperity (PG) (HD) **8.00** Frontline **8.30** Body SOS 4 (HD) **9.00** Beyond Words (some disturbing scenes) **10.00** News Tonight (HD)



- 10.30** Star Awards 2016 - Prelude 
10.45 Taiwan Taste 2 (HD) 
11.15 Hear Me Out 2 

12.15AM First Wives Club (PG13: mature themes) **1.15** The Unbroken Cycle **2.15** Strange Encounters **4.15AM** Life (PG) 

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11.00AM Home Shopping (infomercial) **3.00PM** Where Are We Going, Dad?  **4.30** Okinawa Blues  **5.00** Here Comes Mr Oh (PG) 

- 6.00** Triumph In The Skies 2 (PG)  
7.00 Rosy Lovers (PG)  
9.00 World This Week 2016
10.00 The Borderline (PG) 
11.00 News Tonight 
11.30 World This Week 2016

12.30AM Rosy Lovers (PG)  
2.30AM Close

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





9.00AM Ollie and Friends 2 **9.30** Super Rover and Friends **10.00** Messy Goes to Okido **10.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **11.00** Chuggington 4 **11.30** Baby Looney Tunes **12.00** Ollie and Friends 2 **12.30** Super Rover and Friends **1.00** Messy Goes to Okido **1.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **2.00** Chuggington 4 **2.30** Baby Looney Tunes **3.00** Ollie and Friends 2 **3.30** Super Rover and Friends **4.00** Planet Cook **4.30** Kamen Rider W **5.00** Flying With Byrd **5.30** Wacky World Beaters

- 6.00** LEGO Nexa Knights
6.30 Twinadoes
7.00 My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic 5
7.30 The Amazing World of Gumball 3
8.00 MasterChef Junior USA 3
9.00 Absolute Genius with Dick n Dom
9.30 The Art Bus
10.00 Shakespeare Uncovered 2
11.00 Mr Selfridge


12.00AM Close

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3.00PM Asku Isku 2 **3.30** Indraiya Virunthu **4.00** Tharma Yutham **4.30** Akalya **5.00** Ullaasam **5.30** Chutti Ulagam

- 6.00** Suryaputhri (Malayalam)
7.00 Motu Patlu 2 (HD)  
7.30 Chhota Bheem (HD)  
8.00 Settai the Series (HD)   

- 8.30** Tamil Seithi 
9.00 Indian Beat 7 (HD) 
9.30 Movie: Once More  

12.30AM Tamil Seithi  **1.00AM** Close



3.00PM Juxbox Ekspres **4.00** Teduhan Kasih **5.00** Antidot (HD) 

- 6.00** Parti Divaz   
6.30 E.A.T (HD)   
7.00 Fajar di Bukhara (HD) 
8.00 Berita (HD) 
8.30 Buku 555 (HD)   
9.00 Mimi Tapau 
11.00 Zoom Jepun
11.30 Berita (HD) 

12.00AM Healthy Lifestyle (paid presentation) **1.00AM** Close



6.00AM News Pulse **7.00** First Look Asia **9.00** Asia Business First **9.30** Headline News/World View **10.00** News Now **10.30** Headline News/Secret Tribes (HD) **11.00** News Now **11.30** Headline News/Cancer - The Emperor of All Maladies **12.00PM** News Now **12.30** Headline News/First Look Encore **1.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/Perspectives 5 (HD) **2.00** News Now **2.30** Headline News/Secret Tribes (HD) **3.00** News Now **3.30** Headline News/World View **4.00** News Now **4.30** Headline News/Fortunes from Fun (HD) **5.00** News Now **5.30** Headline News/First Look Encore

- 6.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/Insight
6.30 Conversation With 11 (HD)
7.00 Primetime Asia
8.00 Headline News/IT Figures S4 (HD)
8.30 Power List Asia 4 (HD)
9.00 Primetime World
9.30 Headline News/Correspondents' Diary
10.00 Singapore Tonight
11.00 Headline News/Singapore Revealed (HD)






12.00AM News Pulse **12.30** Headline News/Correspondents' Diary **1.00** Headline News/IT Figures S4 (HD) **1.30** Power List Asia 4 (HD) **2.00** News Pulse **2.30** Headline News/World View **3.00** News Pulse **3.30** Headline News/Correspondents' Diary **4.00** Singapore Tonight **5.00** News Pulse **5.30AM** Headline News/World View

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


6.00AM The Food Detectives 
6.30 On The Red Dot (HD)
7.00 The Dr Oz Show 5 (PG)
8.00 JML TV Home Shopping (Paid Presentation) **9.00** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **10.00** NOT the 5 Show (PG) (HD) **11.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (PG) (HD) (encore) **12.00PM** Martha Stewart's Cooking School 3 (HD)
12.30 Just for Laughs Gags
1.00 Survivor 32 (HD) **2.00** The Apartment Celebrity Edition (PG)
3.00 Who Do You Think You Are 4
4.00 Zero Calling 2 (PG: violence)
5.00 Criss Angel Believe (PG) (HD)
5.45 Just Kidding (HD)

- 6.00** The Noose 7 (PG) (HD)
6.30 Just for Laughs Gags
7.00 Rio 2 (HD)   [Ch 5 Premiere!]
9.00 News 5 (HD) 
9.30 So You Think You'd Survive? (PG) (HD) 
10.00 Death is Our Business (PG13: graphic visuals) (HD)   
10.30 Movie: Woman in Black (PG13: horror/supernatural)  

12.30AM Sleepy Hollow (PG13: horror) (HD)  **1.30** The Walking Dead 4 (PG13: horror) (HD)  
2.15 Hannibal (PG13: violence) (HD) **3.00** Unnatural 2 (HD)  
3.30 Wheel of Fortune (HD) **4.20** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (PG) (HD) (encore) **5.10AM** The Dr Oz Show 5 (PG)

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



6.00AM School Days 3 **6.30** Gracious Planet **7.00** Just in Singapore **9.00** Happy Friends 7
9.30 Chicken Stew: Tales from the Salted Egg Temple  **10.00** DreamCorps  **10.30** Magic Institute 2  **11.00** Mission Possible **12.00PM** Chefs On Wheels  **1.00** Golden Age Talentime 2016 (HD)  **2.00** Movie: Leave Me Alone (PG: some violence)  **4.00** The Dukes' Theme Park Challenge **4.30** I'm in Charge (PG: some sexual references)  

- 6.30** Singapore Today (HD)
7.00 Lee's Family Reunion (PG)  
10.00 News Tonight (HD) 
10.30 Tiger Mom (PG) (HD) 

12.30AM The Homecoming **2.30** Eat and Be Merry **3.30** Meat and Greed **4.00AM** Baby Blues

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7.00AM Home Shopping (infomercial) **10.00** Battle of Voices 2  **11.30** World's No. 1  **12.30PM** Mars Vs Venus 2 **1.30** Food to Go **2.30** City Footprints **3.00** Tiger Cubs (PG: some violence)   **4.30** The Food Detectives **5.00** Rooftop Prince (PG)  

- 7.00** Sing My Song 2 (HD) 
8.30 Sweet Tales from Tokyo
9.00 Level Seven Civil Servant (PG: some violence)  
11.00 News Tonight 
11.30 Sing My Song 2 (HD) 

1.00AM Sweet Tales from Tokyo
1.30 Teen Edge (PG) **2.30AM** Close



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7.00AM Sesame Street **8.00** The Berenstain Bears **9.00** Winx Club 6 **9.30** Tobot **10.00** Pokemon the Series: XY **10.30** LEGO Nexa Knights **11.00** Yokai Watch (HD) **11.30** Power Rangers Dino Charge (HD) **12.00** My Super Secret H.Q. **12.30** Twinadoes **1.00** Smurfs **1.30** Totally Spies 6 **2.00** Dragons **3.00** The Adventures of the Young Marco Polo (HD) **3.30** Sherlock Yack, Zoo Detective (HD) **4.00** Pac-Man and the Ghostly Adventures **5.00** Team Toon **5.30** Mini Ninjas

- 6.00** Super4orce
6.30 Surprise Party
7.00 Supah Ninjas
7.30 Tricky TV 3
8.00 Little Battlers eXperience 2
8.30 Grossology
9.00 Kitchen Whiz 4
9.30 The Art Bus
10.00 Verbier 2013: Daniil Trifonov Live in Verbier

12.00AM Close

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1.00PM Movie: Veerathirumagan  **4.00** Movie: Lekar Hum Deewana Dil (Hindi) (PG) 

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- 7.00** Thirai Talkies 2 (HD)
- 8.00** Indian Beat 7 (HD) (encore)
- 8.30** Tamil Seithi
- 9.00** Movie: Komban (PG: violence)

12.00AM Tamil Seithi
12.30AM Close



2.00PM Healthy Lifestyle (paid presentation) **3.00** Kita Gerek
4.00 Mimi Tapau

- 6.00** Aiman Tempe Mania The Series
6.30 Chef Traveller (HD)
- 7.00** Akar Saya 2
7.30 Lesung Pipit
- 8.00** Berita (HD)
- 8.30** Super Spontan all Stars (HD)
9.30 Hati Perempuan (HD)
- 10.30** Mahkota 101 3 (HD)
11.00 Tanya Dr
11.30 Berita (HD)

12.00AM Close



6.00AM Between the Lines **7.00** News Now **7.30** Headline News/Insight **8.00** News Now **8.30** Headline News/Correspondents' Diary **9.00** News Now **9.30** Headline News/Welcome 2 Taiwan: Taiwan Holiday **10.00** News Now **10.30** Headline News/World View **11.00** News Now **11.30** Headline News/Insight **12.00PM** News Now **12.30** Headline News/First Look Encore **1.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/Insight **1.30** Conversation With 11 **2.00** News Now **2.30** Headline News/Welcome 2 Taiwan: Taiwan Holiday **3.00** News Now **3.30** Headline News/World View **4.00** News Now **4.30** Headline News/Secret Tribes (HD) **5.00** News Now **5.30** Headline News/First Look Encore

- 6.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/IT Figures S4 (HD)
6.30 Power List Asia 4 (HD) Primetime Weekend
7.00 Headline News/Japan Hour (HD)
- 8.30** Cooking for the Crown Primetime Weekend
9.00 Sachie's Kitchen
9.30 Singapore Tonight
10.00 Money Mind (HD)
10.30 World Tonight
11.00 World Tonight
11.30 Cooking for the Crown (HD)

12.00AM News Pulse **12.30** Japan Hour (HD) **1.30** Sachie's Kitchen **2.00** News Pulse **2.30** World View **3.00** News Pulse **3.30** Cooking for the Crown **4.00** Singapore Tonight **4.30** Money Mind **5.00** News Pulse **5.30AM** World View

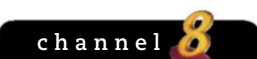
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6.00AM Only The Brave (PG) (HD) **6.30** Talking Point (HD)
7.00 The Dr Oz Show 5 (PG) **8.00** JML TV Home Shopping (paid presentation) **9.00** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **10.00** The Hoarder Next Door **11.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (PG) (HD) (encore) **11.45** Just for Laughs Gags **12.00PM** Jamie's 15 Minute Meals (HD) **12.30** Food for Thought (HD) **1.00** I Can Do That (PG) (HD) **2.00** The Cube 7 **3.00** Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. 2 (PG: action violence) (HD) **4.00** Arrow 2 (PG: action violence) (HD) **5.00** Working Class (PG) **5.30** Films and Stars (HD)

- 6.00** The Simpsons 25 (PG) (HD)
- 6.30** The Smurfs 2 (HD) **[Ch 5 Premiere!]**
- 8.30** Crimewatch 2016 (PG)
- 9.00** News 5 (HD)
- 9.30** Britain's Got Talent 10 (HD)
10.45 Survivor 32 (HD)
11.45 Just for Laughs Gags (HD)

12.00AM Baby Daddy (PG) (HD) **12.30** It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia 9 **1.00AM** Brooklyn Nine Nine (PG) (HD) **2.00** Who Lives Here? **2.30** Toque 12 Sr 2 (PG) **3.00** Films and Stars (HD) **3.30** Wheel Of Fortune (HD) **4.20** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (PG) (HD) (encore) **5.10AM** The Dr Oz Show 5 (PG) (HD)



6.00AM Project Dream Home
7.00 Just in Singapore **9.00** Plan Egg **9.30** New Doraemon **10.00** Science Behind the Scream **10.30** We Are from 2065! **11.00** Tuesday Report: The Towkays 2 **11.30** The Successor **12.30PM** Food Source **1.30** Little Shops **2.00** The Recruit Diaries **2.30** King of Lan Ling (PG: some violence) **4.30** I'm in Charge (PG)

- 6.30** Singapore Today (HD)
7.00 Star Awards 2016 Part 2 **[Live!]**
- 10.00** News Tonight (HD)
- 10.30** Star Awards 2016 - Post Show Party **[Live!]**
- 11.30** Frontline

12.00AM Movie: My Young Auntie **2.00** A Million Treasures **4.00AM** Measure of Man

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7.00AM Home Shopping (infomercial) **10.00** I am a Singer (Encore) **12.00PM** Approaching Science **12.30** Innocence Lost **1.30** Home **2.00** Project W **3.00** Apple In Your Eye (PG) **4.30** Artistic Journeys **5.00** Where are we going, Dad?

- 7.00** Star Awards 2016 Part 2 **[Live!]**
- 10.00** Level Seven Civil Servant (PG)
- 11.00** News Tonight
- 11.30** Lost and Found (PG)

1.30AM Teen Edge (PG) **2.30AM** Close



7.00AM Sesame Street 41
8.00 The Berenstain Bears **9.00** Robocar Poli **9.30** Tobot **10.00** Buddy Fight 100 **10.30** Cardfight Vanguard G GIRS Crisis **11.00** Spongebob Squarepants 8
11.30 Kung Fu Panda 2 **12.00** Super4orce **12.30** Surprise Party **1.00** Smurfs **1.30** Totally Spies 6 **2.00** Dragons **3.00** The Adventures of the Young Marco Polo (HD) **3.30** Sherlock Yack, Zoo Detective (HD) **4.00** FIA Formula E Championship 2015/2016 - Qualifying Races (HD) **5.00** Team Toon **5.30** Mini Ninjas

- 6.00** FIA Formula E Championship 2015/2016 - Actual Races (HD)
8.30 From Grit to Glory (HD)
9.00 Kitchen Whiz 4
9.30 The Art Bus
10.00 Hamlet (PG) (HD)

1.15AM Close



1.00PM Movie: Drama (Kannada)
4.00 Movie: Paer Sollum Pillai

- 7.00** Theriyatha Tamil Cinema 3 (HD)
- 8.00** Ha Ha Ha Sirippu
8.30 Tamil Seithi
- 9.00** Movie: Mankatha (PG: violence)

12.00AM Tamil Seithi
12.30AM Close



10.00AM Runner! Runner!
11.00 Konsert Gegar Vaganza
12.00PM Step Puteri **12.30** Emon Sista **1.30** RE:TV 2
2.00 Projek Memikat Suami
3.00 Kita Gerek **4.00** Yang Mana Satu

- 6.00** Aiman Tempe Mania The Series
6.30 Chef Traveller (HD)
- 7.00** Kerja Kahwin (HD)
- 7.30** Lesung Pipit
- 8.00** Berita (HD)
- 8.30** Show Malam Ini (HD)
9.30 Hati Perempuan (HD)
- 10.30** Makan (HD)
- 11.00** Indonesia Bagus
11.30 Berita (HD)

1.00AM Close



6.00AM Perspectives 5 (HD)
7.00 News Now **7.30** Headline News/Correspondents' Diary
8.00 News Now **8.30** Headline News/World View **9.00** News Now **9.30** Headline News/Love, Asia (HD) **10.00** News Now **10.30** Headline News/Money Mind
11.00 News Now **11.30** Headline News/Conversation With 11 (HD) **12.00PM** News Now **12.30** Headline News/First Look Encore **1.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/Japan Hour (HD) **2.00** News Now **2.30** Headline News/Insight **3.00** News Now **3.30** Headline News/World View **4.00** News Now **4.30** Headline News/Correspondents' Diary **5.00** News Now **5.30** Headline News/First Look Encore

- 6.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/Cooking for the Crown (HD)
6.30 Love, Asia (HD)
7.00 Primetime Weekend
7.30 Headline News/Welcome 2 Taiwan: Taiwan Holiday
8.00 Rebuilding Nepal (HD)
9.00 Primetime Weekend
9.30 Cancel - The Emperor of all Maladies
10.00 Singapore Tonight
10.30 Sportsworld Weekend
11.00 World Tonight
11.30 Welcome 2 Taiwan: Taiwan Holiday

12.00AM News Pulse **12.30** Cancel - The Emperor of all Maladies **1.00** Rebuilding Nepal (HD) **2.00** News Pulse **2.30** World View **3.00** News Pulse **3.30** Love, Asia (HD) **4.00** Singapore Tonight **4.30** Sportsworld Weekend **5.00** News Pulse **5.30AM** World View



LEVEL SEVEN CIVIL SERVANT
[Ch 9, Sun 10pm]

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6.00AM My Big Big Friend 2 (HD) **6.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **7.00** Club M.A.G.I.C 2 **7.30** Mat Yoyo: The New Generation **8.00** My Big Big Friend 2 **8.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **9.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) **10.00** JML TV Home Shopping (paid presentation) **11.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **12.00** Martha Bakes 3 (HD) **12.30** Jamie's 15 Minute Meals **1.00PM** Films and Stars **1.30** Tanglin (HD) **2.00** @ Moulmein High 3 **2.30** Crimewatch 2016 (PG) **3.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) **4.00** Under One Roof 4 **4.30** Chef for Hire **5.00** Guy's Grocery Games (HD)

6.00 The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **7.00** Wheel Of Fortune (HD) **7.30** Minute to Win it (HD) **[Season Finale!]** **8.30** Tanglin (HD) **9.00** News 5 (HD) **9.30** Food Detectives 3 (HD) **10.00** Premonition (PG) (HD) **11.00** Burn Notice 7 (PG) (HD)

12.00AM Tanglin (HD) **12.30** Hawaii Five-O 5 (PG: graphic visuals) (HD) **1.30** Bones 9 (PG13: graphic visuals) **2.30** Martha Bakes 3 **3.00** Jamie's 15 Minute Meals **3.30** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (PG) **4.15** Just for Laughs Gags **4.30** Wheel Of Fortune **5.00AM** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG)

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6.00AM En Route Onward! **6.30** The Best Bet **7.00** Exquisite Cuisine 2 **7.30** Hello Singapore Highlights (HD) **8.00** Beyond Words (PG: some disturbing scenes) **9.00** Morning Express (HD) **9.30** Peace and Prosperity (PG) **10.00** Taiwan Taste 2 **10.30** Unique Flavour (PG) **12.30PM** My Star Guide 8 **1.00** News 8 at One (HD) **1.30** Focus **2.00** Super Family 2 **2.30** The Romance of the Condor Heroes (PG) **3.00** Rescue 995 (PG) **4.30** A Place Called Home (PG) **5.30** Super Senior (PG)

6.30 Hello Singapore (HD) **7.30** Peace & Prosperity (PG) **8.00** I Walker—James 3 (HD) **9.00** Beyond Words (PG: some disturbing scenes) **10.00** News Tonight (HD) **10.30** The Best I Could 2 (PG13: violence) (HD)

11.00 Schemes of a Beauty (PG: some violence) (HD)

12.00AM First Wives Club (PG13: mature themes) **1.00** It's Showtime! **2.00** Strange Encounters **4.00AM** Life (PG)

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11.00AM Home Shopping (Informercial) **3.00PM** The Melting Pot **4.00** Going Home 2 **5.00** Here Comes Mr Oh (PG)

6.00 Triumph in the Skies 2 (PG) **7.00** Rosy Lovers (PG) **9.00** Mars Vs Venus 2 **10.00** The Borderline (PG: some violence) **11.00** News Tonight **11.30** Mars Vs Venus 2

12.40AM Rosy Lovers (PG) **2.30AM** Close

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9.00 Ollie and Friends 2 **9.30** Super Rover and Friends **10.00** Messy Goes to Okido **10.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **11.00** Chuggington 4 **11.30** Baby Looney Tunes **12.00PM** Ollie and Friends 2 **12.30** Super Rover and Friends **1.00** Messy Goes to Okido **1.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **2.00** Chuggington 4 **2.30** Baby Looney Tunes **3.00** Ollie and Friends 2 **3.30** Super Rover and Friends **4.00** Planet Cook **4.30** Kamen Rider W **5.00** My Little Pony 3 **5.30** Wacky World Beaters

6.00 Gundam Build Fighters TRY **6.30** Kung Fu Panda **8.30** Surprise Party **9.00** Wizards vs Aliens **9.30** Omnispot **10.00** Apples, Pears and Paint—How to Make a Still Life **11.00** Arts 21 **11.30** Euromaxx

12.00AM Close

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3.00PM Asku Isku Sr 2 **3.30** Indraiya Virunthu **4.00** Tharma Yutham **4.30** Akalya **5.00** Ullaasam **5.30** Chutti Ulagam

6.00 Aahwanam (Telugu) **7.00** Luckka Kickka **7.30** Nyabagam Varuthae **8.00** Anthanaal Nyabagam (HD) **8.30** Tamil Seithi **9.00** Enna Nadakkuthu 5 (HD)

10.00 Kalyanam (HD) **10.30** Vallamai Tharayo (HD) **11.00** Nagal **11.30** Tamil Seithi

12.00AM Close

3.00PM Juxbox Ekspres **4.00** Teduhan Kasih **5.00** Hati Perempuan (HD)

6.00 Mat Yoyo 3 **6.30** Makan (HD) **7.00** Fajar di Bukhara (HD) **8.00** Berita (HD) **8.30** Jus! 8 (HD) **9.30** Jodoh Itu Milik Kita (HD) **10.30** LePakNil **11.00** Bujang 40 **11.30** Berita (HD)

12.00AM Close

CHANNEL NEWSASIA

6.00AM News Pulse **7.00** First Look Asia **9.00** Asia Business First **9.30** Headline News/World View **10.00** News Now **10.30** Headline News/Sportsworld Weekend **11.00** News Now **11.30** Headline News/Correspondents' Diary **12.00PM** News Now **12.30** Headline News/First Look Encore **1.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/IT Figures S4 (HD) **1.30** Power List Asia 4 (HD) **2.00** News Now **2.30** Headline News/Sportsworld Weekend **3.00** News Now **3.30** Headline News/World View **4.00** News Now **4.30** Headline News/Cancer - The Emperor of All Maladies **5.00** News Now **5.30** Headline News/First Look Encore

6.00 Headline News/Singapore Update/Rebuilding Nepal (HD) **7.00** Primetime Asia **8.00** Headline News/New World Without Strangers (HD) **8.30** Commandos (HD) **9.00** Primetime World **9.30** Headline News/Money Mind (HD) **10.00** Singapore Tonight **11.00** Headline News/Rebuilding Nepal (HD)

12.00AM News Pulse **12.30** Headline News/Money Mind (HD) **1.00** Headline News/World View Without Strangers (HD) **1.30** Commandos **2.00** News Pulse **2.30** Headline News/World View **3.00** News Pulse **3.30** Headline News/Money Mind (HD) **4.00** Singapore Tonight **5.00** News Pulse **5.30AM** Headline News/World View

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6.00AM My Big Big Friend 2 **6.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **7.00** Club M.A.G.I.C 2 **7.30** Mat Yoyo: The New Generation **8.00** My Big Big Friend 2 **8.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **9.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (HD) **10.00** JML TV Home Shopping (Paid Presentation) **11.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **12.00PM** Martha Bakes 3 (HD) **12.30** Lorraine Pascale: How to be a Better Cook (HD) **1.00** Wheel Of Fortune **1.30** Tanglin (HD) **2.00** @ Moulmein High 3 **2.30** Only the Brave (PG) **3.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (HD) **4.00** Under One Roof 4 **4.30** Chef For Hire **5.00** Guy's Grocery Games (HD)

6.00 The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **7.00** Wheel Of Fortune (HD) **7.30** Lip Sync Battle (PG) **8.00** You Think You Know? Food in Singapore (HD) **[Season Finale!]** **8.30** Tanglin (HD) **9.00** News 5 (HD) **9.30** Heroes (PG) **10.00** CSI 15 (PG: violence) (HD) **11.00** Burn Notice 7 (PG: action violence) (HD)




12.00AM Tanglin (PG) **12.30** Hawaii Five-O 5 (PG: violence) (HD) **1.30** Bones 9 (PG) **2.30** Martha Bakes 3 **3.00** Lorraine Pascale: How to be a Better Cook (HD) **3.30** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (PG) (Encore) **4.30** Wheel of Fortune **5.00AM** The Dr Oz Show 6 (HD)

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6.00AM Music Box (HD) **7.00** Food Hometown 2 **7.30** Hello Singapore Highlights (HD) **8.00** Beyond Words (PG: some disturbing scenes) **9.00** Morning Express (HD) **9.30** Peace & Prosperity (PG) **10.00** No Kid is a Bad Kid **10.30** Unique Flavour (PG) **12.30PM** Lodge With Me (HD) **1.00** News 8 at One (HD) **1.30** Hey Chef! **2.00** Math's Island **2.30** The Romance of the Condor Heroes (PG) **3.30** Rescue 995 (PG) **4.30** A Place Called Home (PG) **5.30** Super Senior (PG) (HD)

6.30 Hello Singapore (HD) **7.30** Peace & Prosperity (PG: some sexual references) **8.00** My First School (PG) **8.30** Life Hacks **9.00** Beyond Words (PG: some violence)

TV LISTINGS



10.00 News Tonight (HD) 
10.30 Live Like a Professional (HD) 
11.00 Schemes of a Beauty (PG: some violence) (HD) 

12.00AM First Wives Club (PG13: mature themes)  **1.00** Star Run **2.00** Strange Encounters 2 **4.00AM** Life (PG) 

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11.00AM Home Shopping (Infomercial) **3.00** The Red White Victory Show  **5.00** Here Comes Mr Oh (PG) 

6.00 Triumph In The Skies 2 (PG)  
7.00 Rosy Lovers (PG)   **[Finale!]**
9.00 Innocence Lost 
10.00 The Borderline (PG) 
11.00 News Tonight 
11.30 Innocence Lost 

12.30AM Rosy Lovers (PG)  
2.30AM Close

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





9.00 Ollie and Friends 2 **9.30** Super Rover and Friends **10.00** Messy goes to Okido **10.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **11.00** Chuggington 4 **11.30** Baby Looney Tunes **12.00PM** Ollie and Friends 2 **12.30** Super Rover and Friends **1.00** Messy Goes to Okido **1.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **2.00** Chuggington 4 **2.30** Baby Looney Tunes **3.00** Ollie and Friends 2 **3.30** Super Rover and Friends **4.00** Planet Cook **4.30** Kamen Rider W **5.00** My Little Pony **5.30** Wacky World Beaters

6.00 Egyxos
6.30 Surprise Party
7.00 My Little Pony
7.30 The Amazing World of Gumball 3
8.00 The Thundermans
8.30 My Super Secret H.Q.
9.00 Sam & Cat
9.30 Omnisport
10.00 Culture X
11.00 Antiques Road Trip 7

12.00AM Close

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3.00PM Asku Isku 2 **3.30** Indriaya Virunthu **4.00** Tharma Yutham **4.30** Akalya **5.00** Ullaasam **5.30** Chutti Ulagam

6.00 Aahwanam (Telugu)
7.00 Luckka Kickka  
7.30 Nyabagam Varuthae  
8.00 Anthanaal Nyabagam (HD)  

8.30 Tamil Seithi 
9.00 Suvai 3 (HD)  
10.00 Kalyanam (HD)  
10.30 Vallamai Tharayo (HD)  
11.00 Nagal
11.30 Tamil Seithi 

12.00AM Close

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3.00PM Juxbox Ekspres **4.00** Teduhan Kasih **5.00** Jodoh Itu Milik Kita (HD) 

6.00 The Amazing Awang Kenit (HD)
6.30 Chef S.O.S 
7.00 Fajar di Bukhara (HD) 
8.00 Berita (HD) 
8.30 SG Mania 2 (HD)
9.30 Interns 2 (HD)  
10.30 Jejak Jepun Jihan (HD) 
11.00 Bujang 40
11.30 Berita (HD) 

12.00AM Close


CHANNEL NEWSASIA

6.00AM News Pulse **7.00** First Look Asia **9.00** Asia Business First **9.30** Headline News/World View **10.00** News Now **10.30** Headline News/Money Mind (HD) **11.00** News Now **11.30** Headline News/SportsWorld Weekend **12.00PM** News Now **12.30** Headline News/First Look Encore **1.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/Singapore Revealed (HD) **2.00** News Now **2.30** Headline News/Money Mind (HD) **3.00** News Now **3.30** Headline News/World View **4.00** News Now **4.30** Headline News/SportsWorld Weekend **5.00** News Now **5.30** Headline News/First Look Encore

6.00 Headline News/Singapore Update/New World Without Strangers (HD)
6.30 Commandos (HD)
7.00 Primetime Asia
8.00 Headline News/Undercover Asia 3 (HD)
9.00 Primetime World
9.30 Headline News/The Successors 4 (HD)
10.00 Singapore Tonight
11.00 Headline News/New World Without Strangers
11.30 Commandos (HD)

12.00AM News Pulse **12.30** Headline News/The Successors 4 (HD) **1.00** Headline News/Undercover Asia 3 (HD) **2.00** News Pulse **2.30** Headline News/World View **3.00** News Pulse **3.30** Headline News/The Successors 4 (HD) **4.00** Singapore Tonight **5.00** News Pulse **5.30AM** Headline News/World View


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6.00AM My Big Big Friend 2 **6.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **7.00** Club M.A.G.I.C 2 **7.30** Mat Yoyo: The New Generation **8.00** My Big Big Friend 2 **8.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **9.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) (HD) **10.00** JML TV Home Shopping (paid presentation) **11.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **12.00PM** Martha Bakes 3 **12.30** Lorraine Pascale: How to be a Better Cook (HD) **1.00** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **1.30** Tanglin (PG)   **2.00** @ Moulmein High 3 **2.30** On The Red Dot (HD) **3.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) **4.00** Under One Roof 4 **4.30** Chef for Hire  **5.00** Guy's Grocery Games (HD)






6.00 The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD)
7.00 Wheel of Fortune (HD) 
7.30 NOT the 5 Show (PG) (HD)
8.30 Tanglin (HD)  
9.00 News 5 (HD) 
9.45 Growing Up Fisher (PG) (HD)  **[Season Finale!]**
10.00 Containment (HD)   **[Season Premiere!]**
11.00 Burn Notice 7 (PG: action violence) (HD)



12.00AM Tanglin (HD)  
12.30 Hawaii Five-O 5 (PG: action violence) (HD) **1.30** Bones 9 (PG13: mature themes) (HD) **2.30** Martha Bakes 3 **3.00** Lorraine Pascale: How to be a Better Cook (HD) **3.30** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (PG) (HD) **4.30** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **5.00AM** The Dr Oz Show 6 (PG) (HD)


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6.00AM Silver Carnival **7.00** Frontline  **7.30** Hello Singapore Highlights (HD) **8.00** Beyond Words (PG: some violence)  
9.00 Morning Express (HD) **9.30** Peace & Prosperity (PG: some sexual references)   **10.00** Live Like a Professional (HD) 
10.30 Unique Flavour (PG) 
12.30PM Taiwan Taste 2  **1.00** News 8 at One (HD) **1.30** Big Factories 2: Made by Singapore!  **2.00** Doraemon TV Special **2.30** The Romance of the Condor Heroes (PG) (HD)  **3.30** Rescue 995 (PG)  **4.30** A Place Called Home (PG)  **5.30** Super Senior (PG: some sexual references)  

6.30 Hello Singapore (HD)
7.30 Peace & Prosperity (PG) (HD)  
8.00 Touch-Screen Cuisine 
8.30 One Hundred Tastes of Taiwan 2 (HD) 

9.00 Beyond Words (PG: some violence)   **[Finale!]**
10.00 News Tonight (HD) 
10.30 Money Week 
11.00 Schemes of a Beauty (PG: some violence) 

12.00AM First Wives Club (PG13: mature themes)  **1.00** What Your School Doesn't Teach You **2.00** Strange Encounters 2 **4.00AM** Life (PG) 

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11.00AM Home Shopping (infomercial) **3.00PM** World this Week 2016 **4.00** Miss Traveller  **5.00** Here Comes Mr Oh (PG) 

6.00 Triumph In The Skies 2 (PG)  
7.00 Legendary Witches (PG)   **[Debut!]**
9.00 Project W
10.00 The Borderline (PG) 
11.00 News Tonight 
11.30 Project W

12.30AM Legendary Witches (PG)   **2.30AM** Close

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9.00 Ollie and Friends 2 **9.30** Super Rover and Friends **10.00** Messy Goes to Okido **10.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **11.00** Chuggington 4 **11.30** Baby Looney Tunes **12.00PM** Ollie and Friends 2 **12.30** Super Rover and Friends **1.00** Messy Goes to Okido **1.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **2.00** Chuggington 4 **2.30** Baby Looney Tunes **3.00** Ollie and Friends 2 **3.30** Super Rover and Friends **4.00** Planet Cook **4.30** Kamen Rider W **5.00** My Little Pony **5.30** Wacky World Beaters

6.00 Thunderbirds Are Go
6.30 Super4orce
7.00 My Little Pony
7.30 The Amazing World of Gumball 3
8.00 Henry Danger
8.30 Twinadoes
9.00 Officially Amazing
9.30 Omnisport
10.00 Simon Schama - Shakespeare and Us
11.00 Show Me the Monet 2

12.00AM Close

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3.00PM Asku Isku 2 **3.30** Indriaya Virunthu **4.00** Tharma Yutham **4.30** Akalya **5.00** Ullaasam **5.30** Chutti Ulagam

6.00 12/24 Karol Baug (Hindi)
7.00 Luckka Kickka  

7.30	Thirai Talkies 2 (HD) (encore) ET CC
8.30	Tamil Seithi T
9.00	Ethirol 13 (HD) ET CC
9.30	Nenjukkulle (HD) ET CC
10.00	Kalyanam (HD) ET CC
10.30	Vallamai Tharayo (HD) ET CC
11.00	Nagal
11.30	Tamil Seithi T

12.00AM Close



3.00PM Juxbox Ekspres **4.00** Teduhan Kasih **5.00** Interns 2 (HD) **EM**

6.00	Khayalan 2 E
6.30	Sedap 2 E
7.00	Fajar di Bukhara (HD) M
8.00	Berita (HD) M
8.30	Aset (HD) M
9.00	Simptom (HD) EM CC
9.30	Alam Maya (HD) EM CC
10.30	Mancing Mania M
11.00	Bujang 40
11.30	Berita (HD) M

12.00AM Close



6.00AM News Pulse **7.00** First Look Asia **9.00** Asia Business First **9.30** Headline News/World View **10.00** News Now **10.30** Headline News/The Successors 4 (HD) **11.00** News Now **11.30** Headline News/Cooking for the Crown (HD) **12.00PM** News Now **12.30** Headline News/First Look Encore **1.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/New World Without Strangers **1.30** Commandos **2.00** News Now **2.30** Headline News/The Successors 4 (HD) **3.00** News Now **3.30** Headline News/World View **4.00** News Now **4.30** Headline News/Money Mind **5.00** News Now **5.30** Headline News/First Look Encore

6.00	Headline News/Singapore Update/Between The Lines
7.00	Primetime Asia
8.00	Headline News/Perspectives 5 (HD)
9.00	Primetime World
9.30	Headline News/Fortunes from Fun (HD)
10.00	Singapore Tonight
11.00	Headline News/Between The Lines

12.00AM News Pulse **12.30** Headline News/Fortunes from Fun **1.00** Headline News/Perspectives 5 **2.00** News Pulse **2.30** Headline News/World View **3.00** News Pulse **3.30** Headline News/Fortunes from Fun **4.00** Singapore Tonight **5.00** News Pulse **5.30AM** Headline News/World View

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channel 5

6.00AM My Big Big Friend 2 (HD) **6.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **7.00** Club M.A.G.I.C 2 **7.30** Mat Yoyo: The New Generation **8.00** My Big Big Friend 2 **8.30** WordWorld 2 & 3 **9.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (HD) **10.00** JML TV Home Shopping (paid presentation) **11.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD) **12.00PM** Martha Bakes 3 (HD) **12.30** Lorraine Pascale: How to be a Better Cook (HD) **1.00** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **1.30** Tanglin (HD) **2.00** @ Moulmein High 3 **2.30** Heroes (PG) (HD) **3.00** The Dr Oz Show 6 (HD) **4.00** Under One Roof 4 **4.30** Chef for Hire **5.00** Guy's Grocery Games (HD)

6.00	The Ellen DeGeneres Show 13 (HD)
7.00	Wheel of Fortune (HD) CC
7.30	The Flash 2 (PG: action violence) (HD)
8.30	Tanglin (HD) CM CC
9.00	News 5 (HD) E
9.30	Talking Point (HD)
10.00	Rush Hour CM CC
11.00	Burn Notice 7 (HD)

12.00AM Tanglin (HD) **CM** **CC** **12.30** Hawaii Five-0 5 (PG) **1.30** Bones 9 (PG: graphic visuals) **2.30** Martha Bakes 3 **3.00** Lorraine Pascale: How to be a Better Cook **3.30** The Ellen DeGeneres Show 12 (HD) **4.15** Just for Laughs Gags **4.30** Wheel of Fortune (HD) **5.00AM** The Dr Oz Show 6 (HD)

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6.00AM Golden Age Talentime 2016 (HD) **7.00** Where the Queue Starts 2 **7.30** Hello Singapore Highlights **8.00** Beyond Words (PG: some violence) (HD) **9.00** Morning Express **9.30** Peace and Prosperity (PG) **10.00** Money Week (HD) **10.30** Unique Flavour (PG) **12.30PM** Body SOS 4 **1.00** News 8 at One (HD) **1.30** Life Hacks **2.00** Pleasant Goat and Big Big Wolf 5 **2.30** The Romance of the Condor Heroes (PG) (HD) **3.30** Silver Carnival **4.30** A Place Called Home (PG) **5.30** Super Senior (PG) **CC** **CC**

6.30	Hello Singapore (HD)
7.30	Peace & Prosperity (PG) (HD) CC CC
8.00	Super Combat Teams (HD) C
9.00	The Truth Seekers (PG: some disturbing scenes) (HD) CC CC [Debut!]
10.00	News Tonight (HD) C
10.30	Focus C
11.00	Schemes of a Beauty (PG) (HD) E

12.00AM First Wives Club (PG13: mature themes) **C** **1.00** Star Chef **2.00** Strange Encounters 2 **4.00AM** Life (PG) **C**

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11.00AM Home Shopping (infomercial) **3.00PM** Chinese Dream 4 **5.00** Here Comes Mr Oh (PG) **C**

6.00	Triumph In The Skies 2 (PG) CC CC
7.00	Legendary Witches (PG) CC CC
9.00	Food to Go
10.00	The Borderline (PG) E
11.00	News Tonight C
11.30	Food to Go

12.30AM Legendary Witches (PG) **CC** **CC** **2.30AM** Close



9.00 Ollie and Friends 2 **9.30** Super Rover and Friends **10.00** Messy Goes To Okido **10.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **11.00** Chuggington 4 **11.30** Baby Looney Tunes **12.00PM** Ollie and Friends 2 **12.30** Super Rover and Friends **1.00** Messy Goes To Okido **1.30** Disney Jake and the Never Land Pirates 3 **2.00** Chuggington 4 **2.30** Baby Looney Tunes **3.00** Ollie and Friends 2 **3.30** Super Rover and Friends **4.00** Planet Cook **4.30** Kamen Rider W **5.00** My Little Pony **5.30** Wacky World Beaters

6.00	Thunderbirds Are Go
6.30	My Super Secret H.Q.
7.00	My Little Pony
7.30	The Amazing World of Gumbal 3
8.00	Annedroids
8.30	Super4orce
9.00	Sam Fox Extreme Adventures
9.30	Omnisport
10.00	The Seven Ages Of Britain
11.00	Food Safari 4

12.00AM Close



3.00PM Asku Isku 2 **3.30** Indriaya Virunthu **4.00** Tharma Yutham **4.30** Akalya **5.00** Ullaasam **5.30** Chutti Ulagam

6.00	12/24 Karol Baug (Hindi)
7.00	Luckka Kickka T CC
7.30	Inside Changi (HD) T CC
8.30	Tamil Seithi T
9.00	Kathaiyalla Vaazhkai (HD) ET CC

10.00	Kalyanam (HD) ET CC
10.30	Vallamai Tharayo (HD) ET CC
11.00	Nagal
11.30	Ethirol 13 (HD) ET CC

12.00AM Tamil Seithi **T**
12.30AM Close



3.00PM Juxbox Ekspres **4.00** Teduhan Kasih **5.00** Alam Maya **EM** **EM**

6.00	Ema Emyliana 2 (HD)
6.30	Sedap 2 E
7.00	Fajar di Bukhara
8.00	Berita (HD) M
8.30	Swap Kerja (HD) EM CC
9.30	Antidot (HD) M
10.30	Jom Kayuh (HD) M
11.00	Bujang 40
11.30	Berita (HD) M

12.00AM Close



6.00AM News Pulse **7.00** First Look Asia **9.00** Asia Business First **9.30** Headline News/World View **10.00** News Now **10.30** Headline News/Fortunes From Fun (HD) **11.00** News Now **11.30** Headline News/Sachie's Kitchen **12.00PM** News Now **12.30** Headline News/First Look Encore **1.00** Headline News/Singapore Update/Between The Lines **2.00** News Now **2.30** Headline News/Fortunes From Fun (HD) **3.00** News Now **3.30** Headline News/World View **4.00** News Now **4.30** Headline News/The Successors 4 (HD) **5.00** News Now **5.30** Headline News/First Look Encore

6.00	Headline News/Singapore Update/Perspectives 5 (HD)
7.00	Primetime Asia
8.00	Headline News/Insight Conversation With 11 (HD)
8.30	
9.00	Primetime World
9.30	Headline News/First Hand Account
10.00	Singapore Tonight
11.00	Headline News

12.00AM News Pulse **12.30** Headline News/First Hand Account **1.00** Headline News/Insight **1.30** Conversation With 11 **2.00** News Pulse **2.30** Headline News/World View **3.00** News Pulse **3.30** Headline News/First Hand Account **4.00** Singapore Tonight **5.00** News Pulse **5.30AM** Headline News/World View

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FREE TOGGLE ORIGINALS

Run Rachael Run, EP 7 & 8

In #OnlyOneKorea, Sunny Bee requests for Korean dancers in his music video. Gene assigns the task to Rachael, on condition that the talent fee does not burden their already strained budget. In



Two new episodes available every Monday!

#ProductionNightmares, Rachael experiences her first stressful and chaotic production set. Things worsen when the actress playing Chang'E begins to make demands.

PG Some Coarse Language

TOGGLE-IT-FIRST

Premonition

Struck by lightning, Jonah Lee 'dies' for one minute. After he wakes up, he begins to see visions of fatal accidents. Enlisted by rookie police officer Belinda Tan to help solve difficult cases, he begins a journey to discover why he has been given the power to see the future. **PG** Violence



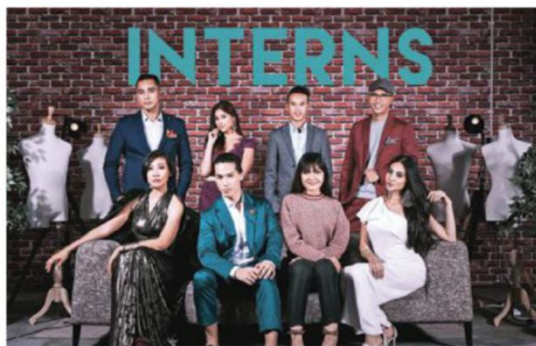
Beyond Words 爱要怎么说

With sufficient savings and his only son Yongxi grown up, 50-year-old Liang Lekun decides to retire. But when Lekun's daughter-in-law, Xuan Xuan, is falsely accused of embezzling company funds, he forks out a large amount of his savings to hire a lawyer to defend her. Lekun returns to the workforce to support his family and start saving for his retirement again. After undergoing several hardships, he

realises that his family's safety and happiness matter most. **PG**



FREE CATCH-UP TV ON DEMAND



Interns 2

Working full time at fashion label Roxanne & Coco Vintages, Sarah, Nadya and Azree try to find their foothold in the cutthroat fashion industry, and strike a balance between work and play. **PG**

Project W W 计划

An infotainment show for working women, *Project W* offers tips on career, workplace survival, relationship building, beauty, wellness and fashion.

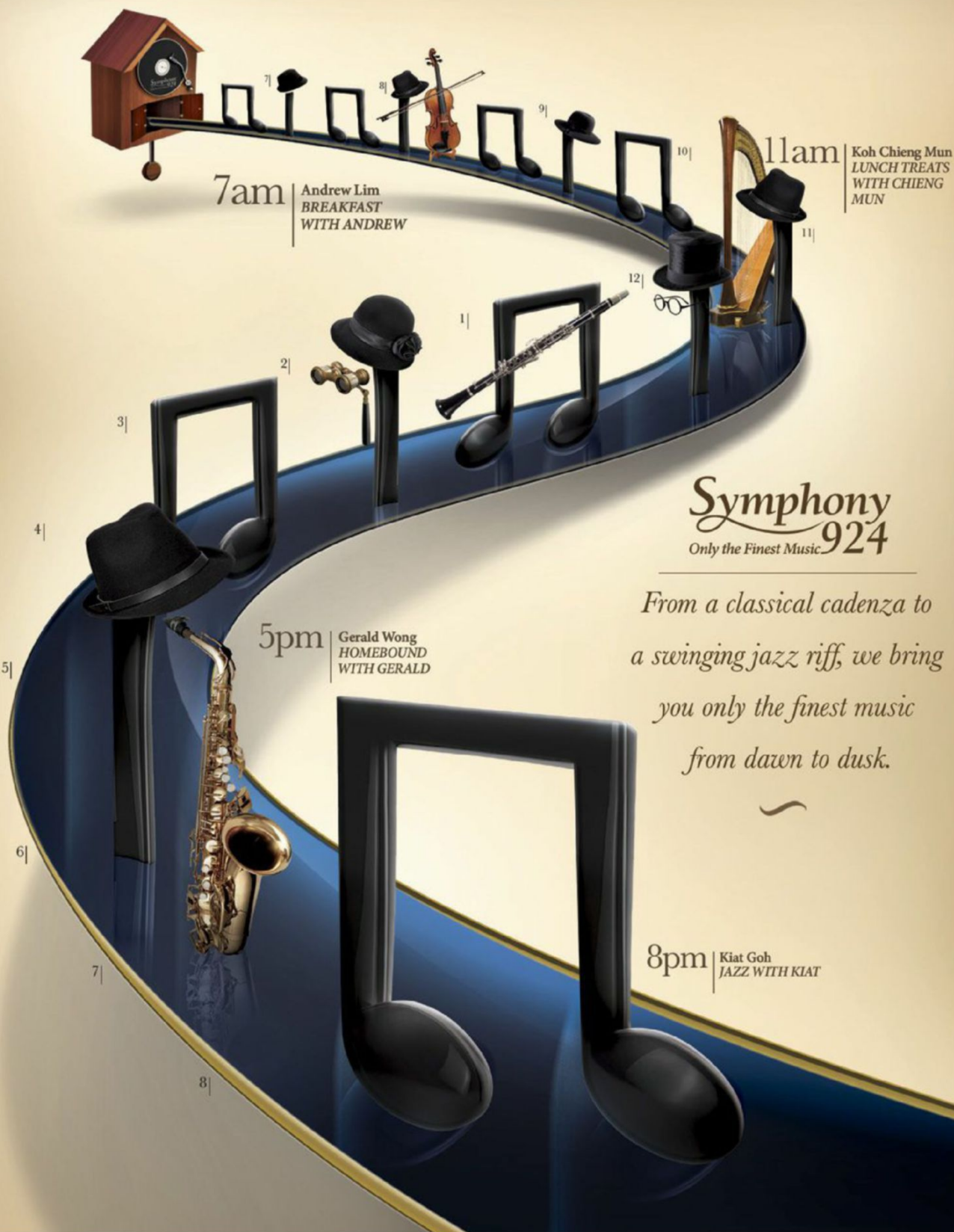


FREE SERIES ON DEMAND

Wacky World Beaters

Follow wacky hosts Amberley and Gilly as they set off on a global adventure to find the world's ultimate wacky sport. They will tickle you with their antics as they attempt to compete against the professionals while discovering amazing people, culture and history on the go. **PG**





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PEACE & PROSPERITY

A semi-retired practitioner of Chinese medicine looks for a third-generation successor to carry on the family-run business.

STARS Zhang Wei (Huang Datong), **Xiang Yun** (Shen Ping'an), **Desmond Tan** (Hong Yingxiong), **Belinda Lee** (Huang Ziting), **Tong Bing Yu** (Huang Zishan), **Dawn Yeoh** (Huang Zijun), **Jeffrey Xu** (Lu Xiaoqiang), **Tracy Lee** (Huang Ziyu), **Ben Yeo** (Bryan Li), **Julie Tan** (Huang Zihong), **Terence Cao** (He Sheng), **Michelle Wong** (Huang Zixin), **Marcus Chin** (Huang Yuanhao), **Lin Meijiao** (Lin Shuzhi), **Shane Pow** (Huang Zihao), **Seraphine Sng** (Xu Cuihua), **Romeo Tan** (Lamborghini Lan Baojie), **Ling Xiao** (Xiao Fangfang), **San Yow** (Xiao Tiantian), **Jayley Woo** (Megan Yang Meikai), **Zhu Houren** (Ouyang Yixiu) and **Priscelia Chan** (Ouyang Fengying).

MON APR 25
7.30pm Episode 16/170

Ziting is mesmerised by Pierre. When Tiantian interrupts them, she prompts him to leave. The residents start gossiping about how quickly Pierre is allowed to be alone with Ziting in her room.

Zijun keeps vomiting. A test confirms she is pregnant, and she and Xiaoqiang are elated. However, Xiaoqiang worries, as he is about



War of words: Ping'an and Zihong continue to be at odds.

to make an overseas trip with Niujiang to check into the supply of the Chinese herbs. Ziting assures him she can look after Zijun, even though her leg is injured.

Zihong pays respects to her late friend Ice, at the columbarium. She recalls how Ice was killed in the accident due to her drunk driving. She is filled with remorse.

Just after Zihong leaves, Yingxiong arrives with his

son. Ice was his wife. He looks resolutely at the picture of her and declares the time is right for him to enter Prosperity Hall.

The neighbourhood residents participate in the free consultation organised by H&H clinic. Zishan's popularity surges. Everyone respects her for overcoming her disability. Ping'an is glad for the boost to Zishan's self-esteem.

Envious, Yuanhao and

Shuzhi incite Simin to confront Zishan for her high fees.

Simin thinks Zishan is deliberately prolonging the treatment for her stomach discomfort.

TUE APR 26
7.30pm Episode 17/170

Simin is about to hit Zishan. Zihong stops her. Pushed aside, Zihong sustains a cut on her arm. He Sheng treats her wound.

Zishan berates Zihong for creating trouble. They argue heatedly while Yingxiong looks on from outside.

Ziyu reprimands her subordinates when negotiations with the pilots break down. She criticises them for being incompetent.

After Ziyu returns home that night, she cries in the toilet. Bryan recognises that his wife is stressed, but he feels helpless.

Zishan is in a bad mood. She scolds her maid for treating her like a disabled person.

Ping'an reproaches Zishan for the grudge she has held against her and Zihong since the day she became paralysed. Zishan



Spoiled rotten: Zihao's irresponsible behaviour continues to worry Yuanhao and Shuzhi.

blames Zihong, who retorts and leaves home in a rage.

Zihong wanders in the streets, unable to find a place to stay. Yingxiong, who has been waiting for the opportunity, comes out and offers to let her stay at his place.

Out of boredom, Tiantian chats with Ziting and prepares dessert for her. She reminds him not to cook green bean soup, which she hates.

Pierre visits Ziting. He brings her green bean soup, which she eats readily.

WED APR 27 7.30pm Episode 18/170

Yingxiong observes the happenings within Prosperity Hall from outside. He notices when Datong is the only one around and unable to cope. Grabbing the opportunity, Yingxiong offers to help with the patients and customers.

Yingxiong manages with ease. Pleased with his performance, Datong asks if he will come again the next day.

Yingxiong volunteers to help out at Prosperity Hall. Yuanhao and Shuzhi speculate about his motive.

At the fruit stall, Zihao asks his parents for money. Yuanhao wants him to help out at Prosperity Hall in return. He obliges reluctantly.

A video showing Zishan giving free consultation is posted on the Internet. The comments are positive. Tiantian shares the video with everyone. The residents' suggestions lead Tiantian to set up a website for posts on the good deeds done by neighbourhood residents.

Zihong admits to Yingxiong that it was she who posted the video clip. She still cares about Prosperity Hall and her family. He advises her to return home.

Liangcai has doubts that Yingxiong's intentions for Zihong and Prosperity Hall are noble.

In public, Zishan and He Sheng seem to have a good relationship, but when they are alone, he shuns her. Zishan feels terrible.

THUR APR 28 7.30pm Episode 19/170

Yet again, Zihao extorts money from Ping'an. Zihong is so angry that she nearly hits him. Losing her balance, she accidentally falls into Baojie's arms. Zihong is so enraged that she quarrels with Yuanhao. Unable to tolerate the fracas, Ping'an takes a rod and beats Zihong's backside.

During the commotion, Baojie notices Megan filming the whole incident. Megan tries to avoid Baojie but to no avail. It happens that they know each other.

Niujing and Xiaoqiang discuss the overseas trip for the Chinese herbs business. Xiaoqiang is undecided, as Zijun is pregnant. Ziting encourages him to go.

Ziting has queries about the authenticity and source of the Chinese herbs. Being a layman, Niujing is caught off-guard by her questions. He almost gives himself away. When Ping'an returns, he finds an excuse to leave.

Ping'an regrets beating Zihong. Neither is willing to compromise. The others try to persuade Zihong to apologise to her mother.

Pierre visits again. He asks Ping'an's permission to date Ziting. Ping'an agrees.

FRI APR 29 7.30pm Episode 20/170

Ziting asks Pierre if he is serious about marriage. He says yes, and she is elated. When she asks how he had obtained her phone number, he replies using the lies Tiantian had taught him.

Zihong's stand-off with Ping'an drags on. She refuses to give in. Ziting tries to talk her around by sharing the difficulties Ping'an had faced while pregnant with

Zihong. Relenting, Zihong makes a soup for Ping'an as a gesture of her apology. They patch up.

Ping'an talks terms and conditions with Zihao and gives him an acupuncture treatment at the same time. When he extorts money from her, she laments that he will never change.

Datong allows Yingxiong to help out in Prosperity Hall. He is also willing to teach the latter.

Ping'an is puzzled by Datong's decision, as she is prepared to train Zihao. Datong thinks Yingxiong's presence could ignite Zihao's interest in learning. Ping'an accepts Datong's decision.

Watching the diligent Yingxiong, Ping'an recalls about her late husband and Xiaochuan.

Yingxiong's TCM knowledge is greater than Zihong's. Disgruntled, she goes to the hawker centre. The people there advise her to stay out of trouble and stop beating people up. Tiantian and Fangfang also urge her to tame her temper.

Ziyu's subordinate, Yunyun, takes her mother

to see Ping'an. Suspecting a mental problem, Ping'an advises her to see a psychiatrist. Yunyun's mother flies into a rage and chides Ping'an.

BEYOND WORDS

A property manager postpones his retirement to help his family tide over a bout of financial hardship.

STARS Terence Cao (Liang Lekun), Tong Bing Yu (Liang Lening), Pierre Png (Leo Xu Wenjie), Paige Chua (Vivian Xu Jiahui), Shane Pow (Liang Yongxi), Jayley Wu (Ouyang Xuanxuan), Zhang Yaodong (Gao Lixian), Tong Xin (Li Peiming), Zhang Shuifa (George Qiao Guangsheng), Josh Lai (Ma Zhihui), Emily Lim (Kelly Gu Ye), Lin Yiting (Mo Yanshan) and Henley Hii (Simon).

MON APR 25 9pm Episode 28/30

Vivian begs George not to shoot Lekun. She promises to leave with him. Lekun stops them from leaving. He asserts that George is unable to give her happiness.

Infuriated, George shoots Lekun in the shoulder. Vivian shields Lekun and dares George to kill her first. Lekun wants her to flee to safety, but would not let her go with



Separate lives: Vivian severs her ties with Lekun.

George even if it costs him his life.

Recognising that they are protecting each other, George is anguished. He is disappointed his years with Vivian count for nothing, compared to the relationship she has developed with Lekun.

Suddenly, the police arrive. George realises he cannot escape. Looking calmly at Vivian, he shoots himself in the head.

Vivian grieves. George had been one of the most important men in her life, other than Leo. She had loved him, and owed a debt of gratitude to him for grooming her. However, she recognises that he had chosen to end his life to make her feel guilty, and refuses to succumb. She resolves to move on.

Peiming learns about Lekun's injury. She promptly travels to Sabah to take care of him.

Simon leaves without a word. From the video he sends her, Gu Ye realises he has regained his mobility. He asks her not to worry and to treasure her relationship with Leo. He wishes them happiness.

Gu Ye is unable to find Simon. She discovers her true feelings for him and rejects Leo's love.

Justin ignores Lixian's warning and tries to eliminate Teresa. Hannah happens to catch him in the act and photographs it. To save himself, he knocks her down with a car and blames Teresa.

Justin begs Lixian for help. Lixian deletes the evidence from Hannah's handphone and throws the handphone into the sea.

When Leo returns from Sabah, Hannah is dead. He kneels beside her bed and cries inconsolably. Lening comforts him. Lixian watches them and recognises that he has made a grave mistake.

TUE APR 26 9pm Episode 29/30

Vivian is unreachable. The police find a burnt car and call on Lekun to identify the car and a dead body. He confirms the car is Vivian's, but is unable to identify the body.

When Lekun leaves the police station, a familiar voice calls out to him. It turns out to be Vivian. He embraces her so urgently that she is embarrassed. He quickly lets go of her. She is about to make a police report as her handphone and wallet have been stolen.

Lening is surprised Hannah had called Leo just before she died. Hannah's handphone was not among the belongings the police had returned. She and Leo return to the accident scene and search the route Hannah had taken, but do not find the phone.

Leo is disturbed by the findings. According to police statements, Teresa was drunk when she had driven her car into Hannah. However, Leo and Lening learn from a bartender that Teresa was with a man that night. She was so drunk that she couldn't even have taken the wheel.

Gu Ye plans to sell her shop and travel the world. This was her original plan with Simon. Having tendered her resignation, Vivian offers to go with her. Sabah reminds her of George, and she feels the need to get away to fully let go.

Leo visits Yanshan after being informed of her medical condition. Lixian had appealed for a lighter sentence for her. Yanshan asserts that she was aware of the consequences before she had bribed Teresa. Leo asks if it was worth breaking the law for a man. Yanshan replies in the affirmative, saying that he is her husband and she loves him.

Leo asks Teresa about

that night of the accident. She reveals everything to him.

It is Vivian's last day of work. Unable to suppress his feelings for her, Lekun hugs her and confesses that he can no longer leave her. She is deeply touched. Peiming witnesses everything.

WED APR 27 → FINALE 9pm Last episode

Vivian notices Peiming standing behind them. Peiming is crying. Immediately, Vivian lets go of Lekun. Peiming never expected Lekun to betray her, as most of the other men in her life have. He explains that his relationship with Vivian is not as she thinks. She slaps him.

Peiming is disheartened and wants to return to Singapore. While trying to make her stay, Lekun is hit by a car. Fortunately, the injury is not serious.

Vivian apologises to Peiming and asks her to give Lekun a chance. She does not want to break their family apart. Moreover, she is leaving soon and will never see him again.

Teresa admits to Leo that it was Lixian who helped Yanshan to bribe her. Teresa had tried to get more money out of Lixian, but he kept delaying the payment.

Teresa is involved in an accident. Leo is convinced it is not a coincidence.

Lixian denies having any connection to the case. He tells Lening that Yanshan had acted of her own accord, without his knowledge. He insists that as a lawyer, he would not do anything illegal.

Gu Ye has found a buyer for her shop. Just as she is about to sign the papers, Simon shows up and stops her. He asks for forgiveness and confesses that he cannot bear to see her with someone else. Only he can give her happiness.

Lekun recovers, and Vivian leaves Sabah. Peiming

returns to Singapore.

Leo is attacked by Justin. Lixian saves Leo in the nick of time. Justin and Lixian are arrested.

In the year that passes, everyone moves on.

Gu Ye and Simon reconcile. Lening goes back to work at Leo's office. Lixian is released from prison and takes over his father's cleaning company. He continues to court Lening. Xuanxuan is also out of prison; she starts afresh with Yongxi.

Peiming is unwilling to forgive Lekun. However, their 25th wedding anniversary is approaching, and the opportunity to get back together again arises.

LEE'S FAMILY REUNION

Problems arise for the Xiaos when everyone vies for control of the family's century-old biscuit business.

STARS Eric Huang (Xiao Tiancheng/Gao Tiancheng), **Zhang Fengshu** (Xiao Yongzhen), **June Liu Yue** (Li Huixin/Chen Huixin/Li Wenfang), **Angus Xie** (Xiao Hansheng), **Chen Guanlin** (Chen Jiabao), **Han Yu/Joanne Lian** (Chen Zhengnan/Li Zhengnan), **Ding Guolin** (Qiu Jinlan), **Chen Peiqi** (Lin Ailin), **Vicky Zeng** (Lin Aiting), **Miao Keli** (Chen Liyun), **Huang Yurong** (Li Wenxing), **Chen Ting** (Li Zaixing), **Fang Wenlin** (Luo Xiuqin), **Jiang Guobin** (Lin Hongshan), **Li Yan** (Fang Xiaofei), **Jian Chang** (Lin Shuibao) and **Wang Hao** (Xiao Hongshuai).

SAT APR 23 7pm Episodes 195 to 197

Ailin worries when she fails to contact Jiabao. A guilt-stricken Aiting turns up with Ailin's favourite buns, to console her.


Huixin and Tiancheng return to the Lis' house to collect their belongings. They find Zaixing and his family living there. Zaixing claims Jinlan had persuaded Hongshuai to let them stay on account of Aiting.

Zaixing warns Huixin

THE TRUTH SEEKERS

An investigation agency is set up to delve into unsolved cases by employing unorthodox methods.

STARS Chen Hanwei (Bai Qingxiong), Rebecca Lim (Huang Yuyang), Desmond Tan (Hong Junyan), Yusuke Fukuchi (Lan Haifeng), Pan Lingling (He Xiulian), Lynn Poh (Shanben Qiuyue) and Somaline Ang (Momoko).

THUR APR 28  **DEBUT**
9pm Episode 1/23

Bai Qingxiong has been with the police force for more than 20 years. He has come across many unsolved cases and witnessed the pain and suffering of victims' families unable to find closure. To address this, he opens a detective agency, CCI, to investigate unsolved cases. Two people join him: Huang Yuyang, who used to be his subordinate in the police force, and Hong Junyan, who has no experience in criminal investigations.

Qingxiong does not receive any cases in CCI's first year. He helps out in the restaurant run by his wife, Shanben Qiuyue.

Lan Haifeng hires CCI to nab the murderer of his girlfriend, Li Xiaoqing, who was found dead in the bushes in a park; she was raped. It happened eight years ago, in 2008.

At the time, the three suspects were Tang Zhengguo, Adam Teo, and Lan Haifeng. Lan Haifeng was the prime suspect. He was acquitted one year after detention.

Qingxiong was one of the investigating officers then. Xiaoqing's parents believed the murderer was Haifeng as he had threatened to kill Xiaoqing after she initiated a break up.

Yuyang and Junyan tail Adam, who has become a



Three's company: Yuyang, Junyan and Qingxiong pit their wits together in CCI.

pimp. To get close to him, Junyan pretends to want to hire a prostitute. Instead, he is stripped naked and chased out of the brothel by Adam and the prostitutes.

After much probing, the three of them clear the suspicions surrounding Zhengguo and Adam. Haifeng remains the major suspect. Qingxiong finds out Haifeng is leading a normal life. He does not have a girlfriend, but has a domestic helper named Wang Meiyun, who cleans his house regularly.

From the evidence gathered, Chen Jieming is found to be connected to the case. Xiaoqing was a volunteer at Rainbow Charity. She had counselled Jieming, who is slightly autistic.

Junyan and Yuyang follow Jieming to the crime scene. Jieming is seen mumbling to himself and behaving strangely. It turns out that Jieming had a crush on Xiaoqing. He had stalked her and taken pictures of her. Upon interrogation, Jieming confesses that he had witnessed Haifeng killing Xiaoqing.

FRI APR 29
9pm Episode 2/23

Jieming has photos of Haifeng and Xiaoqing quarrelling in the park. He is certain Haifeng is the murderer. Yuyang is doubtful, while Junyan is convinced Haifeng is the murderer. They quarrel over it.

It turns out that Yuyang had met Haifeng three years ago and they were involved in a brief relationship. They broke up because he couldn't forget Xiaoqing.

Judging that Yuyang will not be able to make rational assessments due to her past with Haifeng, Qingxiong forbids her to tail Haifeng. She refuses to comply.

Meiyun takes good care of Haifeng and makes soup for him frequently. She believes he is innocent and encourages him to find a new girlfriend. He is grateful for her trust.

Haifeng is drinking alone in a pub. He gets into a dispute with a patron and punches the man. Yuyang and Junyan cannot believe

what they witness when Haifeng turns violent.

Haifeng is unfazed by being viewed as a suspect and being followed. He challenges them to produce evidence to prove he is the murderer.

Meiyun is outraged that Haifeng is being followed. Yuyang feels Meiyun knows something, so she and Junyan tail her.

In tears, Meiyun confesses her sins at the columbarium, asking for Xiaoqing's forgiveness. She pulls out a knife, wanting to end her life. She apologises for not being able to cover up for Haifeng anymore. She would kill herself to accept responsibility for the murder.

Qingxiong and his team stop Meiyun from killing herself. She divulges that she had witnessed Haifeng killing Xiaoqing. Haifeng is dumbfounded.

Qingxiong suddenly points out that Meiyun is the murderer. Unable to hide her crime anymore, she seizes Junyan as hostage and wields her knife.

not to open a new Li Ji in Dafa Department Store, or Hongshuai will take legal action against her. Shuibo asserts that he does not mind going to court against the Xiaos.

Ailin decides to confront Wenxing when Hongshan tells her that his men saw Jiabao arguing with Wenxing outside the Lis' house. Wenxing claims he has no idea where Jiabao is.

Hongshan tells Aiting he saw Wenxing and his men leaving the beach. He managed to find the disc, but Jiabao was nowhere to be seen. He is prepared to produce the disc and let the truth come to light if Wenxing remains unrepentant.

Aiting confronts Wenxing and asks for Jiabao's whereabouts. He denies everything and even warns her that he may tell Hongshuai the truth if Hongshan does not destroy the disc.

Li Ji is re-opened. Hongshuai announces that Zhengnan is in charge of the shop.

Hongshuai is annoyed that Hongshan is at Li Ji. Wenxing grabs the chance to insinuate that Hongshan is there with his family of four. Hongshan retaliates when Hongshuai sneers at him. He also gives Wenxing a subtle warning.

Jinlan tells Hongshan off for being rash in his encounter with Hongshuai. Hongshan asserts that he needs to use such methods to force Wenxing to release Jiabao. Exasperated, Jinlan asserts that she regrets her relationship with Hongshan.

Zhengnan advises Huixin to stop Zaichuan and Bihua from opening a biscuit stall in Dafa. Tiancheng disagrees; he argues that the Xiaos cannot stop everyone from selling biscuits, just because they



Tit for tat: Huang Li snubs Shengnan, who is just as exasperated.

have acquired Li Ji.

Jinlan reminds Wenxing to mind his words, as he will stand to lose out if the truth is revealed.

Hongshan hopes to get some leads on Jiabao from Boss Zhu.

Maggie is moved when Hongshan buys her favourite liquor for her and tells her that there are things he will never forget in this lifetime. However, her happiness is short-lived when he asks for a favour. She flares up when he offers her money as well.

Hongshan asks Maggie to lure Boss Zhu to the lounge. Refusing to be intimidated, Boss Zhu insinuates that Wenxing must have a hold over Hongshan.

Boss Zhu confronts Wenxing and asks for money for his men to run away. Wenxing refuses to give in.

Ailin becomes anxious when Erzhu tells Shuibo that someone has spotted Jiabao, but they have yet to find him.

Zhengnan tells Wenxing to cooperate with the police, as Jiabao's disappearance has been reported. She uses Hongshuai to make

the trio clean the shop for her.

Bingbing turns up in Taipei to look for Zhenchang, and forces him to bring the baby to the hotel where she is staying and sign the divorce papers with Yuping.

TIGER MOM

Comedy about an authoritarian mother who is consistently at odds with her husband on how to raise their daughter.

STARS Vicki Zhao (Bi Shengnan), Tong Da Wei (Luo Su), Li Jia (Luo Dan), Ji Zi Han (Luo Qianqian), Pan Hong (Sun Yaxian), Guo Kai Ming (Luo Sansheng), Han Tong Sheng (Bi Daqian), Lan Yingying (Huang Li), Cui Xin Jin (Yang Guohua), Wang Shen (Bi Ran), Tian Yu (Xue Zifeng) and Dong Jie (Tang Lin).

SAT APR 23

10.30pm Episodes 7 & 8

Luo Su makes plans to take a year off work to look after Qianqian, so that his parents can take a vacation. Luo Dan informs Shengnan that she is headed to Europe to meet her husband, Zifeng.

When both Shengnan and Luo Su are unable to take time off from work,

Shengnan decides to let her brother take care of Qianqian. Hearing this, Yaxian refuses to board the plane. Luo Dan negotiates with her mother and decides she will take care of Qianqian with Bi Ran.

Shengnan sneaks home during her company's trade show to check on Qianqian. Meanwhile, one of the models goes missing at the show and Huang Li replaces her. Shengnan returns, only to be mocked by Huang Li.

Shengnan is incensed when she finds out Qianqian had accomplished nothing educational with her aunt and uncle. Fearful, Bi Ran hesitates to return home. Shengnan chides him and hurts his self-esteem.

Worried about her daughter, Shengnan rushes home to see her. She realises either she or Luo Su must fully take on the duty of looking after Qianqian. As she is unwilling to abandon work, she pushes the task to Luo Su. Unhappy he must frequently make sacrifices, he goes out to drink with Bi Ran.

Qianqian rebels and

calls her mother an old witch. Outraged, Shengnan throws out all her cartoons.

Luo Su's parents bump into a retired teacher during their vacation. He reproaches them for letting Qianqian enter school a year late.

Shengnan calls to spot-check on Qianqian and asks her a few math questions. Luo Su quietly helps her cheat.

Rapidly losing her standing to Huang Li, Shengnan works long hours and slogs for the company. Besides the stress of her job, she continues to worry about her daughter's education.

Shengnan chances upon Zhao, one of the employees Huang Li had unfairly laid off, placing a nail under the latter's car tyre. After he pours his grievances to her, she helps him remove the nail. Huang Li happens to witness this and accuses Shengnan of placing the nail there. She reports this to their boss. He reprimands Shengnan, and she quits in anger.

Now that she is jobless, the financial burden falls solely on Luo Su, much to his parents' discontent. When Shengnan returns to the office to pack her belongings, Huang Li mocks her. In retaliation, Shengnan threatens her.

Shengnan adopts a Tiger Mom regiment to discipline and educate Qianqian, and even orders her brother to get a job so he will not be a bad influence on her.

Luo Su revolts against the authoritarianism. Meanwhile, he learns his first girlfriend has just returned to China. He secretly visits her social media page.

Lee's Family Reunion is being pre-empted on Apr 24 by the telecast of Star Awards 2016 (Part 2) "Live".

ROSY LOVERS

Two undergraduates are forced to take on parental responsibilities while still in college.

STARS **Lee Jang-woo** (Pu Cidao/ Park Cha-dol), **Han Sun-hwa** (Bai Qiangwei/Baek Jang-mi), **Kim Min-seo** (Bai Shuilian/Baek Soo-ryun), **Phillip Choi** (Gao Zaidong/Go Jaedong), **Lee Mi-sook** (Zheng Shirui/Jung Shi-nae), **Park Sang-won** (Li Rongguo/Lee Young-koo), **Han Ji-sang** (Pu Kangtai/Park Kang-tae), **Kim Young-ok** (Zhao Fangshi/Jo Bang-shil), **Yoon Ah-jung** (Pu Shiluo/Park Se-ra), **Jeong Bo-seok** (Bai Wanzong/Bae Man-jong), **Im Ye-jin** (Xiao Jinzi/So Geum-ja), **Jang Mi-hee** (Gao Juanhua/Go Yeon-hwa) and **Ban Hyo-jung** (Ma Bishun/Ma Pil-soon).

MON APR 25

7pm Episodes 69 & 70

Cidao tells Juanhua he will only regard Shirui as his mother. Bishun tries in vain to convince him that she is the one at fault, not Juanhua.

Shirui tells Cidao off for being mean to Juanhua, when he too years to be reunited with his kin.

Bishun tells Fangshi that Cidao is Juanhua's son.

Fangshi tells Wanzong that Cidao will become Rongguo's son soon, as he is Juanhua's biological son. Wanzong hatches another plan.

Wanzong calls on Qiangwei and claims he misses her very much and has decided to accept Cidao and Linglong. She is moved, but has decided to be independent. He wants her to bring Cidao home for a meal.

Shirui takes Cidao and Linglong to meet Juanhua. Juanhua asserts that she would like to meet Qiangwei too.

Cidao apologises for being mean to Juanhua the day before.

Rongguo thanks Shirui for her help and also for being willing to let Cidao reunite with Juanhua.

Cidao tells Qiangwei he has found his biological mother.

Wanzong tells Cidao he has accepted him and Linglong, as he cannot bear to see Qiangwei living in the rooftop room. He warns Cidao that he must treat her well. When Qiangwei reveals Juanhua is Cidao's mother,

Wanzong pretends to be stunned.

Wanzong buries all the gold bars and money in the yard when he learns he is being investigated for corrupt practices. As predicted, the officers turn up to take him away.

Shirui urges Cidao to spend more time with Juanhua, as she has not many months left to live. Juanhua breaks down when Cidao acknowledges her as his mum and promises to spend time with her.

Wanzong is jubilant when released after the questioning. Prosecutor Lin advises him to get a lawyer, as he will soon be remanded. Wanzong wants Cidao to call on Rongguo to seek help.

Rongguo believes that if Wanzong did not do wrong, he will survive the investigations. Moreover, there is nothing much he can do.

Wanzong goes on his knees to beg Rongguo for support. When he fails, he flares up and tells Cidao that he only accepted him because he is Juanhua's son.



A new crossroad: Cidao and Qiangwei's wedding is the happy end to a long and traumatic season of life.

Rongguo hits Wanzong when the latter pushes Cidao. Bishun is concerned that Cidao will be harassed by Fangshi for life if he marries Qiangwei.

The prosecutors turn up to arrest Wanzong and confiscate his assets. Even the money and gold hidden in the yard are found. Fangshi is devastated. Wanzong manages to flee.

Fangshi finds her safe empty and blames Jinzi. She throws Jinzi and Qiangwei out.

Shuilian returns home and discovers Fangshi has disappeared. When she finds out Kangtai is working in a warehouse, she threatens to divorce him.

TUE APR 26  **FINALE**
7pm Last episode

The authorities take possession of the Bai's house. Jinzi and Qiangwei move to the rooftop-house. The police find Fangshi in the house. Wanzong goes to the police station and takes Fangshi away secretly.

Shirui gives Jinzi some money and relates what Wanzong did at Juanhua's house. Jinzi is incensed when Shirui asserts that she hopes Cidao and Qiangwei will break up. Cidao makes it clear he will not leave Qiangwei. He hopes Shirui will not harass Qiangwei any further.

Cidao convinces Juanhua to accept Qiangwei. Juanhua persuades Shirui to give in as well, and accept Qiangwei as their daughter-in-law.

Wanzong goes on the run with Fangshi, who now suffers from dementia. He breaks down when Fangshi urges him to do good and help the poor.

Wanzong decides to surrender himself to the police. He calls Jinzi and asks her to help take care of Fangshi. The police find Wanzong's car. In a bid to save Wanzong from captivity, Fangshi is killed in an

LEGENDARY WITCHES

Four women who find friendship in prison start a bakery together upon their release.

STARS Han Ji-hye (Wen Xiuren/Moon Soo-in), **Ha Seok-jin** (Nan Yushuo/Nam Woo-seok), **Go Doo-shim** (Shen Funu/Shim Bok-nyeo), **Oh Hyun-kyung** (Sun Fengqin/Son Poong-geum), **Ha Yeon-soo** (Xu Meihe/Seo Mo-oh), **Jung Hye-sun** (Fu Danxin/Bok Dan-shim), **Jeon In-hwa** (Che Menglan/Cha Aeng-ran), **Byun Jung-soo** (Ma Zhulan/Ma Joo-ran), **Lee Seung-joon** (Pu Yuanzai/Park Won-jae), **Kim Yoon-see** (Ma Zhuxi/Ma Joo-hee), **Do Sang-woo** (Ma Daozhen/Ma Do-jin), **Park Geum-hyung** (Ma Taishan/Ma Tae-sun) and **Park In-hwan** (Pu Yiwen/Park Yi-moon).

WED APR 27  **DEBUT**
7pm Episodes 1 & 2

Wen Xiuren, the eldest daughter-in-law of Shinhwa Group's chairman, is sent to prison for two years. In the cell, she meets Funu, Fengqin and Meihe. Funu is serving a life sentence and has been in prison for 30 years. Fengqin is there for two years over fraud charges, while Meihe, a model, is serving a two-year term for attempted murder. Meihe is allowed to take care of her baby in prison.

Time turns back one year. Xiuren is mourning the death of her husband, Daoxian, the eldest son of Shinhwa's chairman. Daoxian's elder sister, Zhulan, turns up with her husband, Yuanzai. She blames Xiuren for being a jinx.

Chairman Ma Taishan's first wife, Danxin, and second wife, Menglan, also attend the wake. Danxin suffers from dementia and has no idea what is going on. She is the mother of Daoxian, Zhulan and Zhuxi, while Menglan has one son, Daozhen.

Taishan objected to Daoxian marrying Xiuren and even barged into church to stop them. Daoxian was

determined to make Xiuren his wife, and eventually got his way.

Menglan goes to the villa to get Daozhen, who is there with a woman. Daozhen is stunned by the news and rushes to the wake. His pregnant girlfriend, Meihe, turns up at the wake too, and demands to see him. She is thrown out by Menglan.

Funu gets to go out for one day. She finds it a difficult adjustment. Nearly conned of her money by Fengqin, she approaches her friend, Yiwen, for help.

Chef Nan Yushuo returns from overseas with his five-year-old daughter, Nan Xing.

Yiwen goes to Incheon with Funu, who hopes to see her former home.

Taishan is flabbergasted that Daozhen, too, has a girlfriend with an unimpressive background. Daozhen promises to end the relationship after the funeral.

Danxin refuses to eat until Xiuren returns home. She even flares up at Menglan.

Zhulan hopes Yuanzai will perform well in front of Taishan and take over Shinhwa as CEO, now that Daoxian is dead.

Xiuren promises to take care of Danxin until the very end, but Taishan has no intention of letting her remain in the Ma family. He tells her to leave right after the funeral.

Zhuxi takes Yushuo to the wake to pay respects to Daoxian. Yushuo notices when Xiuren faints outside the toilet, and rushes her to the emergency room. Nan Xing realises that Xiuren resembles her late mother.

Funu stays over at Yiwen's place for the night and worries that if she is released on parole, she will not be able to cope with life beyond bars.

Insulted by Zhulan, Menglan wishes that Daozhen will avenge her

by taking over the Shinhwa reins.

Yiwen takes Funu to the train station and buys a pair of shoes for her.

Yushuo turns up at the home of his father-in-law, Yiwen, with Nan Xing.

Meihe asks for half of Shinhwa when Menglan asks her to quote a price.

THUR APR 28
7pm Episodes 3 & 4

Fengqin gets into trouble when he pastes a flier on the Mas' car. She argues with Yuehan, the chauffeur, and mistakes him for Daozhen.

Yushuo receives half a photo of himself as a child and wonders what the sender wants. He tries to find out more from Director Jin Meishun of the orphanage he was in, but finds out that Meishun has just passed away.

Xiuren breaks down after the funeral when Daoxian's wedding ring is returned to her.

Taishan learns Daoxian's will states that all his shares are to be given to Xiuren. No pre-nuptial agreement was signed before the wedding.

Funu is given the chance to be paroled, but she has no desire to leave the prison.

At Shinhwa, Fengqin witnesses Meihe kicking up a fuss.

Xiuren is at the beach when she accidentally drops the ring into the water. She tries to retrieve it. Looking on, Yushuo assumes she is attempting suicide. Xiuren is incensed when she loses the ring because of Yushuo.

Taishan shocks his family by announcing that Xiuren will be Shinhwa's new CEO. Zhulan vents her frustration on Xiuren. Meanwhile, Menglan realises Taishan is plotting something on the sly.

Yushuo is hired by Shinhwa.

Xiuren is nervous before the inauguration ceremony and fumbles when she meets Yushuo at the back staircase.

Nan Xing tells Yiwen that she met a lady who resembles Zhenxi. Yushuo sees Yiwen reading Funu's letter and deduces that Yiwen has a girlfriend.

Xiuren hopes Taishan will change his mind about making her the new CEO. He claims he has done so to maintain peace in the family, as chaos would break out if he chose any of his other children or son-in-laws as the CEO. He urges Xiuren to carry it through for Daoxian's sake.

Xiuren performs well during the inauguration speech. A drunk Zhulan creates a scene and is carried away by Yuehan.

Daozhen turns up at Meihe's house to ask her to abort the baby. She feels the injustice of her situation, as she had given herself to him after he proposed formally. Now, however, she is being accused of being after his money.

Yuanzai and Zhulan are both scolded for creating trouble during the inauguration ceremony.

Menglan hints to Xiuren that she should not trust others too easily.

Not wanting to be released, Funu deliberately does badly during the interview. She then shields some inmates from a bully, Jin Hongyu.

Taishan tells Xiuren that all she has to do is to follow his instructions and sign the documents as requested.

Daozhen tries to convince Meihe's father to make her abort the baby.

Zhulan is peeved when Xiuren tries to console her after she is scolded by Taishan.



Bread talk: Four former inmates start a bakery and go against the formidable Shinhwa Group.

FRI APR 29 7pm Episodes 5 & 6

Xiuren is arrested on business fraud charges. Zhuxi cannot believe Taishan is so mean as to set Xiuren up and let her be his scapegoat. Menglan pretends to show concern, though she knows Taishan had planned it all.

Funu and Hongyu quarrel in prison.

Xiuren has no idea what is going on, but concludes that Taishan could not be out to do her in.

Yiwen advises Yushuo to find a new wife and is peeved when he asserts that he will consider it if Yiwen remarries.

Daozhen drags Meihe to the hospital for an abortion and explains that he has to obey his mother, who has been suffering as the second wife for 30 years. Meihe is on the operating table when she feels nauseous. She decides not to abort the baby and runs off.

Yueqin assumes Yuehan is a company director and flirts with him.

Nan Xing feels sad that her birthday is also her

mother's death anniversary.

Taishan ignores his children when Daozhen and Zhuxi speak up for Xiuren. Yushuo reads the news and is surprised that Xiuren is Shinhwa's CEO.

Yiwen takes Nan Xing to the prison to visit Funu and is angry with Funu for failing the interview deliberately.

Xiuren is tricked into signing the share transfer papers for Taishan.

Meihe is infuriated when Menglan buys over the place she is staying in. She confronts Daozhen and accidentally injures him.

The police take Meihe into custody after Daozhen is sent to the hospital.

Xiuren is confused when the prosecutors tell her that Taishan and the others have admitted to the fraud charges. However, she remembers what Menglan and the prosecutor had said and senses that something is wrong.

Yuehan mistakes Fengqin for the boss of a lounge and assumes she is rich. Fengqin is arrested for selling unauthorised health products.

Menglan advises Daozhen to be more ruthless than she is if he wants to survive in this family.

Zhuxi gets drunk and tells Yushuo how the Mas put the naive Xiuren in trouble.

Taishan finally tells Xiuren what he plotted. Shocked, she begs him to help her for Daoxian's sake. He ignores her pleas and leaves. After the hearing, she is sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

Meihe gives birth to a boy and names him Xiaoguang. The lounge boss tells Fengqin that a man has been looking for her. Fengqin had told the boss to tell Yuehan that she has gone to America.

Everyone is surprised when Zhuxi invites Yushuo home for dinner. Taishan hopes Yushuo can help Zhuxi manage Shinhwa. After the meal, Zhulan senses something amiss.

Meihe tells the other inmates that Xiaoguang's father is dead.

accident.

Wanzong is taken away by the police after paying respects at Fangshi's wake.

Juanhua collapses and is rushed to the hospital. Bishun hopes to fulfil her last wish by asking Rongguo to include Cidao in his family register.

Shirui promises to discuss the matter with Cidao. Kangtai objects, while Shiluo deems it a good idea to let Cidao become Rongguo's son.

Shirui urges Cidao to fulfil Juanhua's last wish by adding his name to the Li family's register. Cidao is upset. Shirui assures him that they can still be family, even though his name is not in her family register.

Cidao visits Juanhua, who assures him that he need not force himself to agree. He encourages her to live on.

Juanhua cries tears of gratefulness when she sees that the registration has been done and Cidao is formally her and Rongguo's son.

Juanhua asks Rongguo to forget the past and live a fruitful life after her departure. She does not want Cidao to see her in her sickly state, but hopes to see Shirui for the last time.

Juanhua thanks Shirui for all she has done for her and pleads with her to take care of Cidao. She promises to return all the favours in her next lifetime. When Cidao and Qiangwei arrive, Juanhua puts their hands together and gives them her blessings.

Shuilian learns she is pregnant. She and Kangtai are overjoyed when an investor is found for Kangtai's movie script.

Wanzong is released from prison. He decides to spend three years at the graveyard to mourn his mother. He turns up secretly at Cidao and Qiangwei's wedding to offer his blessings.

Cidao, Qiangwei and Linglong are finally together as a family.

THE BORDERLINE

A thriller in which police officers dwell in the grey areas of justice.

STARS Liu Kai Chi (Du Yifei), Dominic Lam (Zhang Jun), Leila Tong (Ding Xiaohai), Lawrence Chou (Cai Yingyang), Joman Chiang (Fang Zaowen), Calvin Lui (Chen Juntai), Annie Liew (Ye Meijuan) and Lam Lei (Huang Zhijian).

MON APR 25

10pm Episode 13

Meijuan finds out the woman Yifei likes is Zhang Jun's late wife, Tong.

A second Pandora's box is sent out. This time, it shows a picture of the police station. All the officers are ordered to disperse. A fake bomb is found on Zaowen's desk. Yifei tries in vain to find out from Hao Yi where the bomb has been placed.

Just when everyone assumes it is safe, Meijuan turns up at the police station with a bomb strapped to her body. Attached is a letter demanding Hao Yi's release. Hao Yi sneers at Yifei for losing his loved ones one by one.

Xiaohai and Zaowen urge the Commissioner to approve of Hao Yi's release, so that Meijuan can be saved. A jubilant Hao Yi leaves in Zhaolong's car.

Dancing King goes to Xiaohai's locker to get a talisman and is blown to pieces by a bomb.

Pepper blames Juntai (Taichen) for Dancing King's death, but Yingyang asserts it was Hao Yi's fault. Juntai vows to nab Hao Yi.

Lesha is happy she can be a buyer in the clothes factory Zhang Jun has bought. Zhang Jun receives a letter in a Pandora's box and is incensed by the contents.

Jinjin is unable to point out his kidnapper, so Duke is released.

Duke learns Zhang Jun is now working with Pandora.

TUE APR 26

10pm Episode 14

Pandora returned half the firearms to Zhang Jun and distributed the rest to the triads to create trouble in Hong Kong. Hao Yi is jubilant that the triads and police are now in their control.

Duke helps Qi-po sell charity flags in the streets. A robbery takes place. Duke manages to help the victim

retrieve her handbag; she is the superintendent's wife. His courageous act gives him the reputation of being a good citizen.

Yifei finds it strange that Zhang Jun's attitude has changed. He deduces that this has something to do with Pandora. He warns Zhang Jun that working with Pandora will lead to his arrest as well. Zhang Jun flares up and declares that Yifei is no longer his buddy.

The police force is in upheaval. Many gangs fight in the streets with the firearms provided by Pandora.

Zaowen knows they need to nab Pandora, Hao Yi, Zhaolong and Zhang Jun. She hopes Duke will be their spy, but Yifei has safety concerns.

Yingyang is shocked to see Jinjin trying to throw his turtle out of the window. He claims Zaowen has told him it is fine to do so. In Jinjin's drawing, there are two Zaowens.

Rachel deduces that in Jinjin's heart, there are two mummies. One is an angel and the other is a devil. She concludes that Zaowen may be schizophrenic.

Duke is infuriated when he learns the late Tong knew



Framed: Zaowen is being framed for adultery with Zhijian.

Yifei was an undercover cop and was in love with him.

WED APR 27 10pm Episode 15

Xiaohai asks Dake to help her find Juntai, who has gone missing.

Dake gets worked up when Yifei appears. Yifei advises him to help the police nab Pandora, so that Zhang Jun will not get into trouble. Yifei had promised the dying Tong that he would take care of Zhang Jun.

Xiaohai reminds Dake how happy Qi-po was when he did good. Well aware Zhang Jun will not be easily taken in, Yifei has thought of a way to convince him of Dake's loyalty, which is for Dake to shoot him in Zhang Jun's presence. Xiaohai tries in vain to stop Yifei from carrying out the task.

Zhang Jun shows Meijuan the letter from Pandora, which states that Yifei and Tong had feelings for each other. He realises Meijuan knows the truth. Concerned, she urges Yifei to be careful.

Zhang Jun asks to see Yifei. Yifei admits his wrongdoing and asks Zhang Jun to shoot him. Zhang Jun wants Dake to kill Yifei. When Dake cannot do it, Zhang Jun opens fire. Dake shields Yifei and is shot.

Yingyang learns Zaowen was afraid of water when she was a child. Zaowen appears irritated when questioned about it.

Zaowen has no recollection of attacking Yingyang and attempting to drown Jinjin. To stop her from breaking down, Yingyang proposes to her and takes her on a cruise. During the honeymoon, Zaowen seems to see a replica of herself.

THUR APR 28 10pm Episode 16

Xiaohai is relieved when Dake survives and recovers fully.

Juntai wants Dake and Zhang Jun to help him capture Hao Yi. He sees Xiaohai at the beach, but runs off when she spots him. Xiaohai is upset that Juntai keeps avoiding her and rejecting her help.

Hao Yi promises to take Dake to Pandora after a deal with Dog Flea is completed. Zhaolong wants to blow Dog Flea up during the transaction.

Hao Yi intends to let Dog Flea and Juntai deal with each other while he reaps the profits. Dake is stunned.

Dog Flea is killed. Juntai appears and is killed by Hao Yi as well.

Dake tells Yifei that Jinjin did not point him out at the police station because of Pandora. Yifei becomes suspicious of Zaowen, as not many people can influence Jinjin. He suspects Pandora is one of Zaowen's alter egos.

Zaowen kills Rachel at the clinic and is arrested. She has no recollection of what happened.

Xiaohai returns to the RCU to find evidence to prove Zaowen's innocence. She discovers that there is a woman who looks exactly like Zaowen.

Yingyang finds out that someone who looks like Zaowen is trying to take Jinjin away. He is knocked out during the fight. When he comes round, he learns the woman is Zaowen's twin, Fang Zaoqing.

FRI APR 29 → FINALE 10pm Last episode

Pandora turns out to be Zaowen's twin, Zaoqing. Zaoqing relates how she was neglected as a child, as Zaowen was always the apple of their parents' eyes. She has long been jealous of Zaowen, and the jealousy intensified when she almost drowned by the beach. Hao Yi saved Zaoqing and they became good friends. They



Bad move: Shanmei is injured while stopping J.

sold drugs together, then returned to Hong Kong to seek revenge.

Zaoqing slept with Zhijian and sent intimate pictures to Yingyang, so that Yingyang would assume Zaowen had committed adultery. She killed Zhijian and made Yingyang go to prison.

However, being with Jinjin made Zaoqing realise angels do exist. To fulfil Jinjin's wish, she released the video to get Yingyang acquitted.

Zaoqing hopes to take Jinjin away for good. She has deliberately made everyone believe Zaowen is schizophrenic.

Zaoqing ties a bomb to Jinjin, who finally realises the other "mum" he has been seeing is his aunt. Yingyang lies in order to make Jinjin agree to leave with Zaoqing.

Zhang Jun asks to see Yifei and Dake. Yifei stops Dake from killing himself and tells Zhang Jun about Tong's dying wish. Lesha attempts suicide, hoping to make Zhang Jun come to his senses.

Zhang Jun arranges to meet Pandora and kills himself to get Zaoqing arrested.

Yifei resigns from the police force.

LEVEL SEVEN CIVIL SERVANT

Two National Intelligence Service rookie agents become a couple, but hide their true identities from each other.

STARS Joo Won (Han Jilu, Han Bixun/Han Gil-ro, Han Pil-hoon), **Choi Gang-hee** (Jin Shuyuan, Jin Zhiyuan, Jin Zhengyuan, Jin Qingzi/Kim Seowon, Kim Kyung-ja), **Chansung** (Kong Daohe/Kong Do-ha), **Ahn Nae-sang** (Jin Yuanshuo/Kim Won-seok), **Uhm Tae-woong** (Cui Wuhe/Choi Woo-hyuk), **Soo-Hyun** (Meilai/Mi-Rae), **Jang Young-nam** (Zhang Yingshun/Jang Young-soon), **Son Jin-young** (Jin Fengyan/Kim Poong-un), **Choi Jong-hwan** (Wu Guangcai/Oh Gwang-jae), **Kim Min-seo** (Shen Shanmei/Shin Sun-mi), **Lee El** (Pu Suying/Park Sooyoung) and **Im Yoon-ho** (Cui Wuzhen/J).

SAT APR 23

9pm Episodes 7 & 8

Jilu doesn't believe Shuyuan has quit NIS. He visits her house. At that moment, Daohe happens to be there.

J is getting impatient with Jin Meilai's slow progress tapping Jilu's father's secret technology. Meilai warns J not to act rashly since she's working on getting Jilu's father to work with them.

Jilu hires Shuyuan into his team. But he doesn't trust her and installs a tracking device in her bag. It leads him to the NIS secret hideout which is disguised as a cosmetics shop.

Jilu does not discover

Shuyuan's real identity and decides to trust her. Shuyuan, on the other hand, is beginning to have mixed feelings about her mission.

In order to get close to Jilu, Shuyuan has no choice but to allow Jilu to go to her house. Jilu is overjoyed. He buys a stuffed toy for her and insists she place it on her bed at all times.

Not knowing that the cosmetics shop is just a front for NIS, Jilu goes there again to buy some cosmetics for his colleagues. Shuyuan is peeved and grumbles that Jilu is trying to buy her over. They bicker again.

J can't wait to get his hands on Jilu's father's secret technology. He stabs Jilu's father as a warning and threatens to take Jilu's life. Jilu happens to be following his father and sees him being stabbed. He tries to capture J but to no avail.

Daohe and Shanmei immediately receive orders to capture J. Shanmei is the first to run into J, but is injured while trying to nab him. Fortunately, Daohe saves her in time.

At this moment, Shuyuan sneaks into Jilu's office after discovering that he is not around.

Jilu visits his father at the hospital. He wants to mend his relationship with his father. Unexpectedly, they have an argument and Jilu is upset.

Shuyuan is worried about Jilu and comforts him.

SUN APR 24 10pm Episode 9

Jilu feels better after being consoled by Shuyuan. Back at the office, he checks the security camera and sees Shuyuan snooping in his office. Incensed, he storms to Shuyuan's house.

Daohe happens to be at Shuyuan's house. She quickly shoves Daohe into

the closet and lets Jilu into the house.

Jilu's interrogation turns into a fight and lands Shuyuan and himself on the bed. Suddenly, Shuyuan's parents make a surprise visit and Daohe falls out of the closet.

Out of the house, Jilu has a face-off with Daohe. In order to speed up the mission, Daohe reveals that Shuyuan likes Jilu. Jilu does not believe him.

J and Meilai discover the unusual relationship between Shuyuan and Jilu.

TANGLIN

The series chronicles the lives of four families who live in the Tanglin neighbourhood: Tongs, Rahmans, Bhaskars and Lims.

STARS Nat Ho (Jay Lim), **Constance Song** (Lim Xue Ling), **Margaret Lim** (Lim Bee Li), **Richard Low** (Lim Kwong San), **Adam Chen** (Adam Tong), **Darryl Yong** (Ben Tong), **Wee Soon Hui** (Tong Li Yan), **Laurence Pang** (Tong Ah Biao), **Mastura Ahmad** (Salmah Bte Samsudin), **Mathialagan** (Bhaskar Ram), **Yuvina Malathi Ram** (Meera Bhaskar), **Jae Liew** (Diana Tong), **Charlie Goh** (Eddie Tong), **Eden Ang** (Michael Tong), **Valere Ng** (Melissa Tong), **Elfa** (Nadiyah Bte Abdul Rahman), **Syrah Jusni** (Norleena Bte Abdul Rahman), **Fauzie Laily** (Sulaiman Bin Hassan), **James Kumar s/o Chandran** (Arjun), **Eswari d/o Gunasagar** (Shruti), **Gayle Nerva** (Suzanne Monteiro), **Hatta Said** (Wafiq Fayad), **Aleeyah Nabilah** (Kalila Bte Wafiq), **Kimberley Chia** (Lauren), **Rosalind Pho** (Vanessa), **James Seah** (Christopher Tong) and **Tay Ping Hui** (Peter Tay).

MON APR 25 8.30pm Episode 216/447

Zul is in a funk over his relationship with Juliana. However, he is momentarily distracted when Norleena experiences labour pains at TCH and he has to send her to the hospital. In the end, he makes the difficult decision to break up with Juliana.

After learning that Vanessa's mother is unable to care for her, Li Yan insists that Vanessa move

in with them after she gets discharged from the hospital, much to Ben's shock and disappointment.

Gina finally pours out her unhappiness to Ben when she learns that Vanessa has moved in with the Tongs. A torn Ben gives his word to Gina that he is committed to make their relationship work. But can it last?

TUE APR 26 8.30pm Episode 217/447

Ben isn't happy with Vanessa staying with them and is constantly irritated with Li Yan taking her side and attending to her every need. Things get worse when she tells him to massage Vanessa's swollen and sore feet and before long both of them get into a heated argument.

Chris is on edge about his impending court sentence and when Suzanne unprecedentedly makes a joke relating to prison life, he takes it personally and lashes out at her.

It is Shruti's first attempt at working for Diana, and Diana is a little doubtful if Shruti will be able to pull off the cleaning jobs and gives her the option to back out. However, Shruti is determined to prove her wrong.

WED APR 27 8.30pm Episode 218/447

Determined to save Chris from going into prison, Li Yan decides to use up whatever savings she has to pay the fine for Chris, only to meet with strong objections from Ben and Diana as they both feel that Chris has been given way too many chances and doesn't deserve to be bailed out every single time.

After making Lathika upset with her belittling comment about maids, Shruti tries to make amends. They have a chat and Lathika shares her life story and struggles with Shruti.

Gina finally admits

to Ben that she is really uncomfortable seeing Ben getting "close" to Vanessa. However, Ben insists that he is just giving Vanessa the support she needs, at least until her pregnancy is over. Ben then finds out that it was Chris who fed ideas into Gina's head that made her insecure about their relationship.

THUR APR 28 8.30pm Episode 219/447

As the Tongs prepare to go to court in the afternoon for Chris' sentencing, Li Yan is upset that Ben is still not willing to fork out the money to pay the fine.

Pam decides to go ahead and work for Mr Pang, much to Shruti's frustration. As Shruti helps Pam to cover up, she feels really bad lying to Diana.

At the clinic, Bhaskar, not wanting to lose Norleena, is supportive of her and offers her a flexible working arrangement should she decide to return to work after her maternity leave.

FRI APR 29 8.30pm Episode 220/447

Bhaskar and Salmah start to interview candidates for Norleena's temporary replacement at the clinic.

A Jared Toh comes for an interview and Salmah is set on hiring him. But Bhaskar has his reservations when he feels that Salmah's decision is all based on looks.

Over at TCH, Ben feels bad about not having been more forgiving towards Chris, and as a result, clashes with Li Yan.

Kwong San meets up with Boon Ping, the son of one of his old business associate, for coffee and jumps at the chance to offer him some business advice.

Eddie discovers that Michael has been hiding the letter from the specialist. Eddie is worried about him, but with the NS enlistment around the corner and Michael having set

his ambitions on getting into OCS, will he come clean with Eddie?

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THE EXECUTIONER

An executioner and a midwife caught in imperial politics.

STARS **Kenny Wong** (Ye Changlu), **Maggie Shiu** (Hua Ruihong), **Matt Yeung** (Chi Zhiqiu), **Katy Kung** (Zhu Xiaoman), **Elaine Yiu** (Ruan Suxin), **Joel Chan** (Sima Chou), **Woo Fung** (Bai Qiansong) and **Hugo Ng** (Li Zisheng).

MON APR 25

8pm Episode 18/26

Zhang Ping is sent to the execution ground and Changlu performs his duty by torturing him. Before Zhang Ping dies, Zisheng stops Changlu and questions Zhang Ping again.

The next day, Ruihong goes to the Red Club to offer medical consultation service and she is shocked to discover Changlu there.

At the emperor's request, the empress goes to his bedroom at night. There is a sudden lightning and the emperor asks her to return to her place and invites Zhen'er to visit him.

The eunuch delivers tonic soup to the emperor but the emperor suffers from nose bleeding after drinking the soup. The empress scolds Zhen'er for preparing the tonic soup. Zhen'er tries to answer back and the empress punishes her.

Zisheng learns that Zhen'er did not complain to the emperor and worries the empress will lose favour with the emperor. He hesitates if he should continue supporting the empress.

TUE APR 26

8pm Episode 19/26

Huai'en reports to the emperor that an overdose of

pipefish is found in the tonic soup.

Zisheng discovers somebody put poison into the tonic soup before it is delivered to the emperor. Zisheng says the empress' relatives have pocketed public funds while building the dam. The emperor is enraged and wants to divorce the empress.

Zhiqiu practices firewood chopping regularly and manages to keep the tiles intact during the process. Shoucheng is very happy for him. Changlu feels that Zhiqiu is becoming mature and develops trust on him.

Yingxia prepares food for Changlu but Changlu returns to Pak Mansion immediately after work. Yingxia is disappointed.

Xiaoman believes that Zhiqiu is upset for he is not able to become an executioner yet and she consoles him. Zhiqiu is grateful and sends Xiaoman a red hand strap to declare his love to her.

Zisheng reveals to Zhen'er that he has found the son of the emperor.

WED APR 27

8pm Episode 20/26

Huai'en advises the emperor against appointing Zhen'er as the empress.

Zhiqiu fails to find Xiaoman at the medical shop. He is worried after learning that she met Master Rong.

Zhiqiu arrives at Master Rong's warehouse and finds Xiaoman's red hand strap on the ground. A woman suddenly screams and Zhiqiu storms into the warehouse.

Zhiqiu has killed somebody and is sentenced to death. Ruihong seeks help from Zhen'er. Zhen'er refuses to help and Ruihong is shocked.

Ruihong says that Changlu could rescue Zhiqiu by taking him as his apprentice.

The emperor discovers that the empress has gone mad and the empress accuses Zhen'er of poisoning

her before she gives birth to a baby.

THUR APR 28

8pm Episode 21/26

As requested by Zhiqiu, Changlu goes to the prison to fulfill his wish by sending Yingxia a pair of new shoes on behalf of Zhiqiu. Yingxia understands Zhiqiu's intention.

Changlu and Ruihong go to Three Cups Knoll to offer sacrifice. They discover that the mass grave is very tidy now. Changlu realises that Zhiqiu has tidied up the place and decides to take him as his apprentice.

There is a fire in the prison and Zhiqiu seizes the chance to run away. Changlu arrives to stop him. Shoucheng arrives but Zhiqiu abducts him.

The emperor sees a Kongming lantern in the sky and knows that Zhen'er has lit the lantern for him. He visits Zhen'er and they reconcile. Zhen'er asks Zisheng to stop poisoning the emperor.

FRI APR 29

8pm Episode 22/26

Suxin visits Shoucheng at the prison. She is deeply touched to learn that Shoucheng has drawn many pictures of her and Ganwei.

The Deputy Censor suspects that people in the Ministry of Justice are colluding with each other. He believes Shoucheng is not managing his team properly and wants to dismiss him.

Zhiqiu's dead body is found in the neighbourhood village. Xiaoman is heartbroken. Yingxia asks Changlu to visit her at Red Club and commits suicide by taking five minerals powder.

Changlu resigns to the new department head A-ren and decides to leave Pak Mansion.

Xiaoman discovers the dead body at the mortuary is not Zhiqiu. She blames herself and cries sadly.

SPEED OF LIFE

An action-crime drama about motivated traffic policemen striving to keep the city safe.

STARS **Kenny Wong** (Du Zhuofeng), **Natalie Tong** (Yao Yao), **Benjamin Yuen** (Shi Ma), **Sisley Choi** (Bei Xinrou), **Carlo Ng** (Bo Zipeng), **Celine Ma** (Su Shan), **Toby Chan** (He Peizhong) and **Rachel Kan** (Li Shuhua).

SAT APR 23

9pm Episode 3/20

After Zhixuan is taken to the interview room to give his statement, Shi Ma discovers that Zhixuan has a crush on the bride, Mary.

In order to appeal to the public for more information with regard to the wife of the Bandit King, the police arrange for Su Shan and Rilang to appear on a TV show for crime reconstruction.

Dayang's divorce has been widely spread by Su Shan, and his co-workers all send him gifts to show their support.

Though Rilang appears to be very eloquent during rehearsal in the meeting room, he stutters as soon as he sees Xinrou at the filming location.

Xinrou is dispatched for a sting operation on board a minibus on the first day she reports for duty in the AI Unit, and in the end she gives eight tickets to the minibus driver who violated the law.

SUN APR 24

9pm Episode 4/20

Zhuofeng discovers that his wife Shuhua is going to South Korea together with their son Qicong, but when Shuhua asks him to join them, he rejects it.

Xinrou becomes very popular in the police station, which makes Qizi, who used to be well-liked among the co-workers, very jealous.

In order to pay the fine, the minibus driver is so

overworked that he has a traffic accident, so Xinrou who happens to be on board the minibus gives a statement to the police.

During lunch time, Xinrou keeps reflecting on what had happened. She realises that she forgot to mention a scooter at the scene.

Xinrou goes to look for Yang Ming and give another statement, adding that the case can be solved as long as they can locate the scooter.

Shi Ma is impressed after Yao Yao restores the scene diagram, thinking she has a good memory.

Upon Zhuofeng's return home, he sees Shuhua and Qicong still packing their luggage, and he suddenly realises that they are not travelling to South Korea.

MON APR 25

9pm Episode 5/20

The news of Xinrou questioning Shi Ma right in front of the Commissioner of Police in the elevator has already been spread to every corner of the station, so Su Shan is seriously considering to transfer her to another department because Xinrou shows no respect to her superior Shi Ma.

Xinrou then gets ready to learn how to ride a motorcycle and get a licence, and Shaobi hopes her to succeed; whereas Jiaqi gives her a talisman.

Yang Ming locates the scooter owner, who however was not the rider on the day of accident.

The crime reconstruction shows that the victim's death didn't result from the action of the minibus driver.

Eventually, the one who rode the scooter on the day of the accident returns to Hong Kong and goes to the police station to give a statement.

While there, Zhuofeng surprisingly finds out that

the person turns out to be Qicong.

Though Shuhua strongly discourages Qicong from riding a motorcycle, Zhuofeng instead wants to test Qicong's motorcycle riding skills.

TUE APR 26

9pm Episode 6/20

A child's remains were found in the mountain near Yao Yao's home. Although the suspect was arrested by the police, there was not enough evidence to lay charges against the suspect.

Xinrou successfully gets a motorcycle licence, so she comes back and wants to surprise her co-workers, unexpectedly, some senior management members happen to be there for a meeting.

There is something wrong with Dai Jun's motorcycle, and as a result he cannot be dispatched. Therefore, Zhuofeng teams up with Xinrou for the shift, during which Zhuofeng teaches her a lot of important things that a traffic police officer must know.

Shi Ma asks Hao Sir about the murder case. According to Hao Sir, Yao Yao caught a glimpse of the perpetrator, unfortunately, Yao Yao claims that she cannot remember as it's been two years. Shi Ma suggests hypnotising Yao Yao in hopes of helping her retrieve lost memories.

Zhuofeng is under orders to hunt down a motorcycle, but after he encounters the rider of the motorcycle, he can't help suspecting that the motorcyclist is his former partner Deqian.

WED APR 27

9pm Episode 7/20

Zhuofeng chases after Deqian after seeing him at an illegal gas distribution ring, but Deqian crashes

into a roadside fence and flees, leaving behind a large amount of cocaine which is later found by Zhuofeng.

While Su Shan tells Zhuofeng that Deqian became a gang member, Dayang adds that he is also one of the top illegal street racers among the outlaws.

Recalling the past, Zhuofeng still remembers those days when he himself, Deqian and A-wei were co-workers as well as good friends.

Deqian apologises to Mad Kun for having lost the cocaine, surprisingly, Mad Kun not only forgives him but also puts him in charge of another drug shipment.

Suddenly, Shi Ma and Yao Yao receive a message that Yang Ming was sent to a hospital.

THUR APR 28

9pm Episode 8/20

The fact that Yao Yao relies on her eidetic memory to help bring the criminal to justice is the talk of the town, and a news reporter even specifically goes to interview her.

The husband of the car crash victim intends to take back the victim's personal belongings earlier, which makes Yao Yao feel so touched that she decides to help him.

Reflecting on criticism from Yao Yao, Shi Ma can't help but start doubting himself, asking himself whether it's true that he has no friends.

As soon as Qicong receives the new motorcycle, he immediately goes riding on the street together with Weixin. Unexpectedly, they are provoked by a private car and end up in an accident.

Arriving at Mad Kun's domain, Zhuofeng charges Mad Kun with offences for carrying out illegal vehicle modifications, and suggests

that he should tell Deqian to come out.

Later on, at the tomb of the late A-wei, Zhuofeng recalls those days when three of them were still partners, especially things related to Chengwu's case.

FRI APR 29

9pm Episode 9/20

Everyone knows that Qicong suffered injuries and according to Dayang, though Qicong's condition is stable, the one who hit him turns out to be Zhuofeng's former mentee.

So, it's believed that Zhuofeng will not take any more mentees. Having heard this, Xinrou appears to be very disappointed.

On his way to the illegal drug trade, Timid Cheng is suddenly shot by a motorcyclist.

Zhuofeng finally gets to meet Deqian, and accuses him of violating the law; whereas Deqian counter argues that Zhuofeng himself already broke the law years ago as Zhuofeng lied about A-wei being killed in the line of duty.

Deqian wants to hand the cocaine over to Mad Kun, who however no longer trusts him.

As for Zhuofeng, he eventually makes up his mind and is determined to bring Deqian to justice, so he immediately instructs his subordinates to go after Deqian.

Shuhua accompanies Qicong when the latter is discharged from the hospital. Just as they are ready to drive home,

Deqian points a gun at them to threaten them. Later on, Deqian tells a boatman to drive the boat to the sea shore, to his surprise, he sees Zhuofeng chasing after him, leaving him no other choice but to flee. **1**

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